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3,200 FRENCHMEN ARE TAKEN PRISONERS; 5,000 GERMANS BEGIN ATTACK ON DIEST; BELGIUM APPEALS TO NEUTRAL POWERS

FIRST NEWS FROM BERLIN ANNOUNCES FRENCH REVERSES

Wireless to Jersey Station Says Gauls are Driven Back.

NOT A ONE ON GERMAN SOIL

During Fighting at Muelhausen the Kaiser's Troops Capture 2,200 Officers and Men, Direct Message From the German Capital Asserts.

By Associated Press.

BERLIN, by direct wireless from Nauen, Germany, to the Goldschmidt Wireless Company's station at Tuckerton, N. J., August 13.—The German troops took 120 French officers and 1,200 French soldiers prisoners in the fight at Muelhausen, Alsace. They also captured four French cannon.

"Another 1,000 French officers and men were taken prisoners by the Germans in the fight near Longwy. Germany is now entirely cleared of French troops.

GERMANS INVADE RUSSIA IN FORCE; MEET REPULSE.

By Associated Press.

ST. PETERSBURG, via London, 5.10 A. M.—The following official communication has been issued:

"On August 10 and 11 the enemy made careful reconnaissances on the frontiers of the government of Kovno and Suwalki. A German detachment of four battalions, three squadrons of cavalry and 18 cannon attacked Eydkuhnen, East Prussia, but were repulsed."

RUSSIAN FORCE CAPTURES AUSTRIAN BORDER TOWN

By Associated Press.

ST. PETERSBURG, via London, August 13.—A Russian force has taken the town of Sokal, Austrian Galicia, [illegible] with the heavy artillery on the garrison. The garrison consisted of [illegible] infantry battalions, a regiment of horse and a regiment of hussars. After defeating them the Russians also pursued the Austrians across the river Bug and blew up two bridges behind them.

Sokal, 15 miles in Sokal, which is 45 miles north of Lemberg, were set on fire by the Russian troops before the latter had fled from them on the approaching force.

TERRIFIC SLAUGHTER IN BATTLE AT MUELHAUSEN

By Associated Press.

LUCERNE, August 13.—A dispatch from Basel, Switzerland, says:

"Following a terrible battle at Muelhausen the hospital facilities proved absolutely inadequate to care for the [illegible] of wounded.

"Not only are all the hospitals filled, but schools, churches and hotels are pressed to their capacity. Even then it has been found necessary to charter special trains to convey the wounded to St. Ludwig and other. The latest estimates place the German losses at from 8,000 to 10,000."

RICH PRIZE CAPTURED; GERMAN RESERVES HELD

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Aug. 13.—News of the taking of the German tank steamer Leda, a prize probably worth a quarter of a million dollars by a prize crew from the British steamer Suffolk, and the arrest of upwards of a hundred German reservists in Bermuda as prisoners of war was confirmed by Captain R. L. Daniels of the Royal Mail steam packet Caribbean, which arrived this noon from Bermuda.

Similar confirmation was brought by the Bermudian of the Quebec Steamship Company.

JAP VESSEL IS FIRED ON BY BRITISH FORT.

By Associated Press.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 13.—The Japanese cruiser Shikoku Maru was seriously damaged today and one of her crew killed by a cannon shot fired from the British fort at Hong Kong while the vessel was entering the harbor.

The Shikoku Maru paid no heed to the usual regulations. Two warning shots were fired over her bows but she did not stop and a third shell struck her amidship.

British Vessels Armed.

NEW YORK, Aug. 13.—The British steamer Devonia which arrived today from Hull has two guns mounted on the deck aft. Captain Burton explained that 30 members of the British merchant service are to carry guns. 25 vessels have already been supplied.

England and Austria at War.

LONDON, August 13.—It is officially announced that a state of war has existed between Great Britain and Austria-Hungary since midnight.

THE WAR AT A GLANCE

Developments in the war zone which appear chiefly concerned to Belgian territory are made vague owing to the strict censorship over news relating to military movements.

Positions occupied by the main French, Belgian and British forces are not permitted to be disclosed even approximately, so that their plan of campaign cannot be assumed.

As to the German forces, indications from various sources point to the concentration of the main body with its right wing in Belgium and its left wing in the Duchy of Luxemburg. The German staff is said to have gathered 25 army corps along the eastern frontier, facing Belgium and France. Many of these troops probably are stationed in the great fortresses in Alsace-Lorraine and along the Rhine.

One dispatch asserts the defence of Germany's Russian frontier has been left to armies made up of reserves. Although all of these are trained soldiers it would seem natural to leave as a nucleus for their organization a considerable force from the active army.

The disposition and strength of the French invaders in Alsace where they are said to hold a long line within the German border are kept rigidly secret.

PRESIDENT DIRECTS A PROBE INTO ADVANCE IN FOODSTUFFS

Directs Attorney General to Determine Whether Prosecutions Can Be Entered.

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, August 13.—President Wilson today directed Attorney General McReynolds to investigate the recent increase in prices of foodstuffs and to take up the question whether any persons punishable can be prosecuted.

The President also instructed Secretary Redfield to have his agents begin similar investigations.

NEW YORK, August 13.—Sugar soared to new high levels today. The market was strong owing to active bids from Great Britain as well as buying by local refiners in order to supply raw sugar to meet the increased demand for refined.

Holders of raw sugar in Cuba are very firm in their attitude.

AMERICAN TOURISTS NOW ON WAY TO ROTTERDAM.

By Associated Press.

AMSTERDAM, via London, August 13.—The special train bringing 200 Americans from Berlin arrived here at 7 o'clock this morning. The party, which was under the direction of the American ambassador to Germany, James W. Gerard, continued on the train to Rotterdam, whence they will sail for the United States on a steamer of the Holland-American line.

BERLIN, August 13.—A meeting of 500 Americans in the German capital was informed last evening that many German families were ready to take stranded Americans into their homes without cost. The banks here also are ready to grant important credits to Americans.

WASHINGTON, August 13.—Immediate charter of six vessels to go to Europe for Americans was agreed upon today by Secretaries McAdoo, Garrison and Daniels, and Assistant Secretary Phillips of the State Department.

They will carry 8,000 passengers at as reasonable rates of passage as possible.

BELGIANS INFLICT HEAVY LOSS ON GERMAN FORCES

By Associated Press.

BRUSSELS, via London, August 13, 2.05 P. M.—An official statement issued today confirms yesterday's success of the Belgian troops over the Germans at Haelen.

It says the German casualties were very heavy, three-fifths of their troops engaged in the encounter being killed or wounded, while the Belgian casualties are reported as relatively small.

Vessels Reach Port.

VANCOUVER, August 13.—The Canadian cruiser Rainbow reached Vancouver at 6 A. M. today convoying the British man-of-war Shearwater. The Algerine is expected in later today.

Threaten Drastic Measures.

ST. PETERSBURG, via London, August 13.—According to a semi-official dispatch the German troops before Kalisz, Russian Poland, have issued a proclamation stating that every tenth inhabitant of the city will be shot in the event of further resistance.

Germans Shoot Mayor.

LONDON, August 13, 7.50 P. M.—A telegram from Paris to the Central News says the German troops today shot the mayor of Tours, a village near Longwy, on the Franco-German frontier.

Winnipeg Soldiers Called.

WINNIPEG, August 13.—Four militia regiments of Winnipeg, 2,000 strong, were called to mobilize at Quebec.

GERMANY ACCUSED OF VIOLATING THE RULES OF WARFARE

Tales of Heroism of Belgian Troops Fill the Official Report.

DEAD INVADERS LIE IN PILES

St. Petersburg Dispatches Declare Huge Force of Germans Have Been Driven Back After Invading Russia; Peasants Tell of Atrocities.

By Associated Press.

BRUSSELS, via Paris, August 13, 1.25 P. M.—It is stated here today that the intervention of the neutral powers is to be asked for by the Belgian foreign minister through their diplomatic representatives in the Belgian capital in reference to alleged repeated violations by the German troops in Belgium of the Geneva and Hague conventions.

M. Davignon the Belgian foreign minister has drawn up a long list of cases declared to be fully attested of the killing of the wounded the abuse of the white flag the killing of civilians and the seizure of private and public funds.

FIRST BIG BATTLE OF WAR BEING WAGED NEAR DIEST

By Associated Press.

BRUSSELS, via London, August 13, 11.45 A. M.—The fighting yesterday between the Belgian and German armies in the vicinity of Diest lasted the entire day and constituted the first considerable battle of the war. It will be known as the battle of Haelen. Shells were still falling at 6.30 in the evening on the roads around Diest.

The battle centered around Haelen in the Belgian province of Limburg (Meuling the Diest in the north of the province of Brabant, after passing around Zoethem. At 7 o'clock last evening all the country between the three towns mentioned had been cleared of German troops except the dead and wounded, who were thickly strewn about the fire zone. Upwards of 200 dead German soldiers were counted in a space of 50 yards square.

A church, a brewery and some houses in Haelen were set afire and two bridges over the Demer were destroyed by Belgian engineers.

Great quantities of booty were collected on the battlefield and this has been stacked in front of the town hall of Diest. Many horses also were captured.

The strength of the German column was about 5,000 men.

At Tirlemont the Belgian lancers lost 25 killed including Captain Knappen and Lieutenant Count von Van Turch while fighting against 2,000 German Uhlans. The latter lost 250 killed. The lancers were checked by machine guns, but the Belgian infantry stopped the Germans.

Peasants report that the Germans are waging a war of extermination. They allege that the troops are firing on priests and are killing and wounding people indiscriminately. Whole villages, according to their story, are being wiped out by the invaders.

Another official communication today says:

"The Belgian cavalry division this morning took the offensive against the Germans who were defeated in yesterday's battle of Haelen, with the object, it is believed, of picking up the dead and wound.

"No German surprise was expected and there are no reasons to fear any German cavalry movements on Brussels from the south, all roads leading to the capital being guarded by the Belgian army and the civic guard.

FRANCE HEARS OF BATTLE: TALE OF REVERSES DENIED

By Associated Press.

PARIS, August 13, 10.17 A. M.—An official communication published here today says:

"A division of Belgian cavalry supported by a brigade of infantry and by artillery engaged and defeated near the fortress of Diest, 18 miles northeast of Louvain a division of German cavalry, also supported by infantry and cavalry.

"The fighting was extremely fierce and resulted in the Germans being thrown back toward Hasselt and St. Trond."

The minister adds:

"The Belgian army and the forts around Liege are intact and are prepared to resist all attacks.

"There has been no important change in Lorraine and there is no truth in the report that the 16th regiment of French infantry was taken prisoner by the Germans at Bitry in the department of Meurthe-et-Moselle.

"At the end of his communication the French minister says, France is gratified by the attitude of America."

THE PROGRAM.

Today.

2.00 P. M.—Firemen's grand parade.

4.00 P. M.—Firemen's grand prize drill contest.

6.00 P. M.—Water battle, Johnston avenue.

7.30 P. M.—Prize band contest, professional; prize band contest amateur.

Tomorrow.

8.00 A. M.—Firemen's first aid contest.

9.30—Horse hose race.

10.30—Service hose race.

1.00 P. M.—Hook and ladder race.

1.30—Free aerial performance.

2.00—Hand hose race.

3.00—Hub and hub race.

4.00—Championship water battle.

6.30—Sensational loop the loop on a bicycle.

8.00—Band concert.

GOSSIP ABOUT THE VISITING FIREMEN

One band that is attracting more than the usual amount of attention is the Otterbein Brotherhood Band of the United Brethren Church of Pittsburg, led by Rev. W. V. Barnhart. It is a good band, and was very generous in offering its selections. There are 90 members, good musicians. Rev. Barnhart was formerly pastor of the United Brethren Church here. The Pittsburg boys serenaded The Courier office, a courtesy that was keenly appreciated by the staff.

The Latrobe Volunteer Fire Department came into town more than a hundred strong, led by Chief J. L. Ackerman. This is the first convention the Latrobe boys have attended in the past 10 years, their last one being the Connellsville gathering of 1904. They serenaded the West Penn and J. L. Stader.

The Hill Top company, near Pittsburg, which won first prize in the parade here 10 years ago, is on hand today. The boys declare that winning the prize in Connellsville put them in right. After that they gathered nearly $2000 in prize money throughout the state, going out of the Western Pennsylvania Association to land honors. The boys were keenly interested in the photograph of themselves as prize winners, which was displayed by J. L. Stader. They offered a fabulous sum for the picture, but Mr. Stader refused to part with it.

Fred L. Spease of the Gamewell Fire Alarm Company, distributed pencils to the firemen at the convention yesterday.

Ralph Core, dressed as a woman, created quite a furore when he voted during the sessions yesterday afternoon.

The Citizens Hose Company No. 1, the Good Will Hose Company No. 2, and the Hill Tops No. 3, comprising 275 men represent New Kensington, with the New Kensington Band of 40 pieces.

George Derbaum, the first fireman in New Kensington, arrived here this morning for the parade, accompanied by "Hatch" Kellar, three feet one inch high, who expects to take away the prize for the smallest fireman.

The Rankin Volunteer Fire Department of 75 men with the Westinghouse Band of 24 pieces, totalling just one short of 100 men, arrived in a special over the Pittsburg & Lake Erie railroad at 1 o'clock.

The comedy team of the Punxsy camp had a lot of good-natured fun this morning, following the band and giving impromptu performances. A chicken confined in a canary cage which they fed from a bottle was part of their comedy property.

W. H. Semmens, state senator in the Forbach district, who belongs to the Turtle Creek Fire Department, is being entertained by the Avalon delegates. After taking him about town and introducing him to everybody, they tendered a luncheon in his honor at the Colonial Inn, where the Avalon boys are established.

New Kensington camp on the South Side held a big celebration last night in honor of the election of B. Q. McHenry as next president of the association.

The Big Lump truck of the Kittanning Fire Department had a mishap on its drive to Connellsville and did not arrive until this morning at 6 o'clock. A broken shaft in the

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THE WEATHER FORECAST.

Unsettled tonight and Friday, probably showers warmer tonight in the south portion; cooler Friday in the north portion.

Temperature Record.

	1914	1913
Maximum	78	80
Minimum	59	71
Mean	68	77

The Youghiogheny river rose during the night from 1.60 to 1.65 feet.

THOUSANDS OF FIREMEN MARCH IN PARADE; EXCITING RACE IS WON BY WILKINSBURG; SHARPSBURG, 1915; M'HENRY IS PRESIDENT

M'HENRY WINS FOR PRESIDENT; FIGHT FOR PLACE IS HOT

New Kensington Man has a Narrow Margin Over Andreas.

CONVENTION BATTLE IS FIERCE

McKees Rocks Loses Fight to Entertain Boys in 1915 in Spite of Their Spirited Efforts; Final Session of Convention is Held This Morning.

Sharpsburg in name, but Sharpsburg, Etna and Aspinwall, the Triple Alliance, will entertain the Western Pennsylvania Firemen's Association in 1915, the poll of the vote cast yesterday afternoon resulting in 211 for Sharpsburg and 179 for McKees Rocks.

The victory of Sharpsburg was the result of quiet, consistent boosting by members of the fire companies from the three towns, assisted by the business men's association, all headed by H. C. Lee, who besides nominating the town as a meeting place, has been taking an active part in the discussions of the convention.

The McKees Rocks boosters put up a strong fight and when all the ballots were cast, it was conceded that the race would be a close one. It took the delegates and members from 2 until 4.30 o'clock to answer the roll call and cast their votes, and the computation board was two hours counting the ballots.

B. Q. McHenry of New Kensington, the genial head of that department, won out for president of the association, polling 229 votes to 195 for Alex Andreas. Mr. McHenry's choice was a popular one, the election being claimed by the New Kensington bunch long before the voting began. His opponent, Mr. Andreas, the head of the Etna organization proved a hard candidate to beat, showing unexpected strength.

T. C. Clark of Pittsburg, Martin Klein of St. Clair borough, George E. Speer of East Pittsburg, won out for vice presidents, the vote resulting:

T. C. Clark	315
George E. Speers	219
Ray McPherson	212
Martin Klein	243

W. H. Sharah received 358 votes for secretary; James H. Steele 347 for treasurer, David L. Shannon 347 for alternate to the state convention.

The racing rules were amended by a resolution which requires that all teams entered in the various convention prize contests must be "active" members of the company they represent for a period of 90 days preceding the convention. This was done to get away from professionalism, it being charged by some delegates that companies hire sprinters to enable them to carry off some of the events.

Martin F. Klein of St. Clair borough suggested that steps be taken to erect a memorial tablet to the departed members of the association at some central point. A committee is to be appointed to arrange the details and report at the next convention. George S. Wier of Sharpsburg offered a free site in King's cemetery at that place.

Considerable discussion arose over the statement that advertising agencies were profiting to the extent of thousands of dollars by the publication of convention minute and souvenir books, and it was decided to publish a brief resume of the convention proceedings in booklet form without advertisements and later publish the complete record in a larger book containing advertising matter, the profit from which is to be the association's. Treasurer J. H. Steel declared that he thought that the revenue to the advertising agency that got out the red souvenir book for this convention would be between $5,000 and $7,000, little of which found its way into the coffers of the firemen.

A resolution requiring the executive committee to receive applications for the next convention not less than 60 days before the 1915 meeting, in order that hotel rates and expenses might be investigated, was adopted.

DELEGATES HOLD BIG BALL: KING AND QUEEN CROWNED.

In the presence of about 200 firemen and their ladies, Miss Helen Belle Rush of Dawson, winner of the popularity contest, was crowned queen of the convention by Attorney John Duggan, Jr., at 9.30 o'clock in the Armory, thus opening the big delegates' ball.

With a few appropriate remarks Mr. Duggan presented Miss Rush with the diamond ring which was her prize and placed a crown upon her head. Miss Lodath Lalk, w. winner of second prize, received a gold watch. Both young women received ovations as they stepped forward to receive their reward. Miss Elizabeth Smith, winner of the third prize, was not present.

Following the award of the ladies' prizes Quay Hewitt was presented with the gold watch offered to the most popular fireman, and he and Miss Rush then led off the grand march.

The ball was open only to firemen wearing delegates badges though all ladies were admitted free. It was early announced that the new dances would not be allowed and though the dancers received this with evidences of displeasure, for the most part they contented themselves to the old waltz and two-step, though this was a hardship, considering that the floor had not been waxed and because many of the dancers, anticipating that the new steps would be allowed, wore the necessary rubber-soled shoes. Some daring ones started to one-step and castle walk but when told to desist modified their motions to a combination of new and old dances that got by the board of censorship.

SOUNDS OF REVELRY AT NIGHT; MUCH HILARITY.

Last night was one of revelry, the likely of which was never seen in Connellsville since Centennial Week. The Sharpsburg contingent early began the noise-making after the announcement was made that they had won the next convention. Headed by a drum corps, playing "The Gangs All Here" continually, they paraded snake-fashion up and down Main street for hours. Only when some of the paraders dropped out from sheer weariness did they disperse and join the individual merrymaking.

Professor Mizosky's oriental band with its two oriental dancers were out early and the Jeannette boys were accorded a hand wherever they appeared.

The Wall paraders who it seemed were on the march ever since their arrival in town were not about last night, the members deciding that they wanted to attend the delegates ball in conventional attire.

The firemen who arrived late last night commented favorably upon the town's illumination which they said was about the best they had ever seen at convention.

False Alarm Sounded.

A false alarm sent in from box 121 at Peach and Pittsburg streets at 3.45 o'clock yesterday afternoon caused some excitement and the truck responded. Keys had been left in four boxes numbers 12, 15, 114 and 121, and some one took advantage of this opportunity to call out the department.

Special Train Tonight.

A special train over the Pennsylvania railroad will leave here tonight at 9.30 o'clock making all stops between here and Pittsburg.

WILKINSBURG WINS AUTO RACE; HOMESTEAD SECOND

Winners Make Fast Time Between Fire House and Murphy Avenue, on Main Street.

Wilkinsburg won the race for motor trucks from the West Side Fire House to Murphy avenue this morning with the remarkably fast time of 2 minutes and 34 seconds, beating the exhibition time of the Connellsville truck by a considerable margin, and carrying away the $150 prize money from Uniontown, Homestead and North Braddock.

The trucks were run singly, an alarm being sent in by City Electrician A. J. Buttermore and the time the trucks took to climb the Main street hill and cross the line at Murphy avenue being taken by P. J. Wright of Uniontown and W. H. Sharah, secretary of the firemen's association.

None of the contenders were satisfied with the result and it was suggested that the race be run over. It was claimed that wagons and pedestrians crossing the paths of the automobiles kept them from making the best time their machines were capable of, but the timers declared that these were conditions that had to be met by fire truck drivers.

Wilkinsburg's run through Main street was the most spectacular, the driver guiding his machine calmly with one hand. He was compelled to shut off at Prospect street by a man who crossed the path, but the delay was negligible. The tabulated results of the race follow:

WILKINSBURG.

Start	9.38
Finish	9.40-34
Time	2.34

Driver, C. E. Quarette; car, American La France.

HOMESTEAD.

Start	10.10
Finish	10.13-19
Time	3.19

Driver, Oscar Laitborn, car Seagraves.

UNIONTOWN.

Start	9.31
Finish	9.36-34
Time	3.36-3/5

Driver, George Tidow; car, Peerless.

NORTH BRADDOCK.

Start	9.51
Finish	9.55-25
Time	4.25

Connellsville's exhibition run was started at 10.19 and the truck crossed the line at 10.22-13, taking 3.13 to traverse the distance. Fred Bass drove the truck.

Homestead has filed a formal protest against the awarding of the auto truck race prize to Wilkinsburg. Their claim is that as they were starting the Rankin fire department formed a line of march in front of them and thus delayed them, and that at the intersection of Arch and Main streets, a wagon crossed their path compelling them to slow up. They offered to run the race over again.

FIREMEN, FLOATS AND TRUCKS MAKE PARADE BRILLIANT

Scores of Organizations Take Part in Mammoth Pageant.

LINE OF MARCH IS THREE MILES

Firemen Form on the South Side and Cover Principal Down Town Streets Before Crossing Bridge; Disband After Covering Much of West Side.

The big day of the convention dawned brighter and fairer than any day of the week. The threatening weather of the last three days, which culminated in heavy rains yesterday, changing about late last night and the sun was the best up this morning. That is, he thought he was, but there were crowds on the streets when he appeared—some had not gone to bed yet and others were just arising.

The parade, of course, was the big feature of the program. This was scheduled to start promptly at 2 o'clock from South Pittsburg street. Bands and companies arrived all throughout the morning on special and regular trains and by trolley and automobiles. It was conservatively estimated that there were 10,000 people in town at 10 o'clock this morning and thousands more arriving hourly.

The motor truck race which was pulled off on Main street from the West Side fire house to Murphy avenue at 9 o'clock this morning was a precarious undertaking, notwithstanding the fact that every precautions was taken to insure the safety of bystanders. The trucks were sent off between the time of arrival of trolley cars and as they tore across the bridge with wide open throttles, pedestrians insisted in lingering in their paths until almost the very last moment of safety. This hampered the drivers considerably, but in a sense was a good test for a fire truck runner, in that he has to contend with such conditions in running to a fire.

The route of the parade has not been changed from the original announcement, which was as follows:

Form on South Side, first division resting on South Pittsburg street, north of Green street, starting at 2:00 o'clock sharp.

The line of march will be: North on Pittsburg street to Main street, west on Main to Water street, north on Water to Peach street, east on Peach to Meadow Lane, north on Meadow Lane to West Fayette street, north on Johnston avenue to West Gibson, east on Gibson to North Pittsburg street, south on North Pittsburg street to Main, west on Main to Ninth street, West Side, Morrell avenue to Eighth street, disbanding on Main street, West Side.

CONNELLSVILLE PRAISED BY VISITING FIREMEN

At the final session of the Western Pennsylvania Firemen's Association in the Sosson Theatre this morning, which, because of the lure of the big doings outside, was attended by but 20 members, President B. Q. McHenry and the other officers were installed.

Both he and W. H. Sharrah, the secretary, made speeches. At the conclusion of Sharah's address, one of the delegates shouted, "Bill, you've been making that same address for the past 16 years."

"Well, gentlemen, you've got to smear the bull a little," was the secretary's retort.

A resolution thanking the firemen and the citizens of Connellsville for their reception was passed unanimously, the delegates expressing themselves as highly pleased with the treatment they received here.

"Connellsville is some place," said one of the older delegates. "I was here ten years ago and I thought we had a big time then, but this certainly surpasses all my expectations."

The same sentiment is expressed by almost all of the visitors.

McKEES ROCKS WINS THE SECOND WATER BATTLE.

McKees Rocks won the second water battle last evening on Johnston avenue defeating Lock No. 4 in nine and a quarter minutes. The winners had the advantage of the slight rise in the street which position they won when a coin was tossed. They poured the water consistently on the Lock team and routed them so badly at times that they lost control of the big hose and turned it on the crowd on the left side.

The teams advanced 15 feet on the first two sets and 10 feet on the last, with two minute intervals of righting. George Jacobs of Uniontown referred.

The McKees Rocks team was composed of H. D. Porter, A. D. Carmer, D. Dare, D. Rose, John Elder and J. Hannon, while their opponents lined up as follows: A. Cristy, R. Crab, Leon Martin, D. Davis, R. Paxton and George Jacobs.

Groundhogs Great Rooters.

The Punxsy groundhogs proved themselves to be great rooters.

Gossip About the Visiting Firemen

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engine caused by the strain of the dirt roads necessitated the sending into Pittsburg for a new part and caused the trip to be delayed. The trip made by Kittanning was about 118 miles and Ray Disch drove the truck. Sixteen men were on the truck and two pleasure cars carried about 14 more, totalling 30.

H. D. Blauvelt, camera correspondent for Leslie's Weekly, was an early arrival in town. Mr. Blauvelt will photograph the principal happenings of the week. He has had wide experience. One of his important assignments was to cover Europe with Colonel Roosevelt. Connellsville persons who see Leslie's Weekly have witnessed quite a bit of Mr. Blauvelt's excellent photographs.

Many old relics are on exhibition in E. J. Enos' window. A badge, mace and belt worn by Chief of Police Reuder, a picture of the Friendship Hose Company of Connellsville, who won the $125 prize at Latrobe in 1903, the Hope Hose Company, are the property of I. G. Pery. The other relics on exhibition are a picture of George McCormick, fire marshall of Connellsville, property of J. G. Pery, the old ladder wagon the first one in Connellsville, property of John Deter pie, the New Haven crew at Latrobe and the New Haven company in parade at Latrobe. These are the property of George Gregg.

The Independent Marbel Band which has accompanied Jeannette to many conventions, arrived last night with 16 men under the direction of John Hart.

Homestead came to the front with a delegation of city officials and firemen. The Homestead boys brought their big Seagraves truck along, which participated in the races this morning. In the party were Councilmen P. W. Jacobs, chairman of the committee, Davis, Barlett and McGeever. Assistant Chief of Police Boyle and Sergeant of Police Gesener, George Gessner and John Rankin are the two oldest volunteer firemen in Homestead.

In the parade this afternoon the Homestead boys carried the trumpet which they won in Exposition Hall, Pittsburg, in October, 1913, as the best drilled fire company in Western Pennsylvania. There were 65 in the party although but 40 men in uniform, members of the paid department, rode on the truck in the parade. Four of the delegation have been volunteer firemen since 1894. Theodore A. Kleppinger of the Homestead Herald, was on hand to cover the convention for his paper.

A special composed of seven cars came from Sharpsburg over the Pennsylvania railroad this morning. Four hundred boosters came with the fire fighters and their band. Among other companies and bands that arrived today are the Rankin, Swissvale, Aspinwall and Etna.

The Youngh House is one of the most attractively decorated buildings in town and has been favorably commented on by the many visiting firemen and their friends. With its many artistically shaped flags, and its brilliant electrical illumination it presents a very striking effect.

John Watterson, a fireman from Beaver Falls, while wrestling with a fireman from Allquippa this morning at their camp in the West Side, suffered a fracture of the right ankle. A physician reduced the fracture.

Every band that strikes the town played "Out on the Way to Mandalay." They all seem to know that the people here like it.

Feeding the multitude was a serious problem. The hotels had nooks in front of the dining room doors clamoring for admission as early as 11.30 o'clock and all of the restaurants were swamped. A number of lunch stands opened for the day and were well patronized.

The striking fire department of Carnegie, with the Carnegie Drum Corps, arrived in town shortly before noon. They have 40 men.

Leading the Sharpsburg and Aspinwall delegation which arrived this morning with two bands was William Weckbecker, the only band fireman attending the convention, a member of the Citizens Hose Company of Sharpsburg.

Brakewater, neatly uniformed in blue and red, with a drum corps, arrived this morning.

Darrick had a band and about 30 members of the Ladies' Auxiliary when it marched from the station this morning.

The Etna Red Cross Corps in white suits accompanied the Sharpsburg-Etna-Aspinwall delegation.

Stewart S. Cunningham, 83, the oldest fireman attending the convention, was attired in his red shirt and adorned with all of his medals as he received his friends at the Smith House this morning. He had his moving picture taken for the first time, too.

Harry Holt of Wilmerding, former president of the Second Ward Hose Company in Connellsville and an ex-Courier employe, is in town for the fun, games.

USE SELTZER BOTTLES

They Prove Efficient as Fire Extinguishers on West Side.

A small blaze in the rear of the dry goods store of Fred H. Harmening on the West Side yesterday caused Earl Rhoades, a clerk, to do some fast work for a few minutes. Earl had gone back for some matches and they ignited. He attempted to stamp out the flames, and failing in this ran into the front of the store and grabbed two seltzer bottles. Using these as extinguishers the blaze was put out.

He and Edward Mitz, another clerk, had been talking over the method of action that should be taken in case anything caught on fire, several weeks ago. It was then decided that when the proposed seltzer bottles should be used. Not losing his presence of mind when the blaze came Rhoades concentrated the bottles and without causing any excitement or telling anyone what was happening he got the bottles and played streams himself.

AUTO IS WRECKED.

Five Thrown From Car and Three Women Are Hurt.

Mrs. T. C. Kenney, Mrs. Joseph Kenney, Miss Catherine Wickstrand and J. F. Kenney, all of Scottdale, had a narrow escape from serious injury in an automobile accident yesterday at Bessemer, a short distance from Scottdale. They were on their way to Pittsburg with J. F. Kenney at the wheel. The car which was without chains, skidded and collided with a telegraph pole.

All the occupants were thrown from the car and the three women were slightly injured. They returned to Scottdale and today all are able to be about.

FIREMAN IN HOSPITAL.

Goes There for Injury Suffered in Water Battle.

W. H. Frazer, 19 years old, a fireman from McKeans Rocks, while participating in the water battle last night, suffered a slight injury to his leg. He was removed to the Cottage State Hospital for treatment.

Lucille Dowell, 15 years old and colored, put the hospital for an operation.

Nine Prisoners Freed.

Nine offenders were arraigned before Mayor Marietta this morning for drunkenness. They were all discharged. Daniel McGuffin was committed to the jail for 6 days when arraigned before Mayor Marietta on a fighting. The other participants in the fight escaped.

Four Held for Court.

Margaret, Cora and Mary Henry and Oscar Roth of Swingertown were held for court by Alderman Mack this morning charged with disorderly conduct. The quartet was arrested by Constables Stillwagon and Crossland last night.

Band Concert Tonight.

The Connellsville Military band will be in the city at the Royal Hotel last evening. They will give a concert at the hotel this evening. Miss Helen Leslie Rock will sing.

Licensed to Wed.

Cartha Showman and Alva Basinger, both of Springfield township, Preston Hixson of West Overton and Nannie Clarke of Hillside township, George Martin of Dunbar and Zella Collins of Scottdale, were granted marriage licenses in Uniontown yesterday.

Mishap on Vacation.

Miss Edna Zimmerman while spending her vacation at Mountain Lake Park, Md., while crossing the railroad track met with an accident which resulted in a sprained ankle. Her foot slipped from the rail. She returned home and yesterday was confined to her room.

Marry in Cumberland.

Charles Mindler of Rockwood and Lucy May Sherman of Somerset, were married in Cumberland yesterday.

Gulbord Is Improving.

Lerot Gulbord, who was operated on at the Cottage State Hospital for appendicitis, is improving.

FETCHING WHITE LINEN FROCK.

The smart model illustrated in the drawing is made of white linen and effectively trimmed in hand crocheted lace. The little vest and collar are of fine organdie, the lower portion of the blouse at sides and back has an inset of the lace. The sleeves consist of two circular pieces of the linen trimmed. The skirt shows the long tunic hung from a yoke of the lace and bordered with the same. The tunic is hung over a plain skirt of the linen which closes at the centre front.

CLEVER PICKPOCKET SENT OUT OF TOWN BY SLEUTH

Eddie McGough of Pittsburg Lamps Coyle Before He Gets Into Action Here.

"Why look who's here?"

Detective Eddie McGough of Pittsburg thus accosted a dapper little gray-haired man, with a Vandyke beard, standing in front of the First National Bank about 8 o'clock last night. The stranger looked up and smiled.

"Why Eddie, I didn't know this town was protected," he replied. "When can I get out of town?"

The dapper little man, who might have been taken for a prosperous business man here to see the fun, was none other than Eddie Coyle, one of the most expert pickpockets in the business, who has served time in five or six penitentiaries and who, it is declared, could go from the First National Bank to Brimstone Corner and in ten minutes get every pocketbook he went after in the crowd.

Recognizing McGough, Coyle saw that his chances of operating here were done for, so he agreed to get out of town.

"You can't get a train out," said McGough, "but there will be a car leave here for Greensburg in 10 minutes. You get on that and protect it that far. You can get a train home from there."

Coyle said that he was alone, no others of his ilk, so far as he knew, having arrived. He waved a farewell to the detective and departed on the next car.

Anticipating that there would be a flood of pickpockets into the town and seeing that the city authorities had taken no steps to protect the citizens the West Penn Railways Company sent to Pittsburg for McGough, who is one of the best detectives in the business, and Elmer H. Henry, another clever sleuth, who are today mingling with the crowd on the lookout for other crooks.

A big negro who was suspected of being an all-around gambler and crook, was also closed up.

SOCIETY.

Good Fellowship Class.

The Good-fellowship Class of the First United Brethren Church will meet tomorrow evening at the home of P. C. Collins in South Connellsville. It is the regular business meeting and all are invited.

Temperance Lecture.

Oliver T. Stewart of Chicago will give a lecture Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock at the Christian Church. All are invited.

Convention Visitors.

Among the convention visitors here today are Mr. and Mrs. James B. Reed of Pittsburg, former well known Connellsville residents. Mr. Reed is a well known Baltimore & Ohio conductor.

Engagement Announced.

Announcement of the engagement of Miss Laura Louise Elkin, daughter of Judge and Mrs. John P. Elkin of Indiana, Pa., to John Grafton Stewart of Lock Haven, Pa., was made yesterday at "Breezedale," the Elkin home. Miss Elkin has visited in Connellsville and has a number of friends here.

DeVore-Lucas.

The marriage of Miss Amy DeVore and Ernest Lucas will take place Wednesday, September 2, at the home of the bride at Tunnelton. Miss DeVore is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. DeVore and formerly resided in Connellsville. She is a niece of Mrs. C. J. Stiger of Connellsville.

Athens Temple Meets.

The Athens Temple of the Pythian Sisters met last night at Malta Hall. Business of a routine nature was transacted.

Grangers' Picnic.

Extensive arrangements are being made for the annual union grangers' picnic to be held Saturday, August 22 near Star Junction. Each grange will be well represented and a most enjoyable day is looked forward to by the farmers and their friends.

EVEN CURES ULCERS

Remarkable Results From Skin Remedy that Costs Almost Nothing.

No matter how bad a sore or ulcer ailments you, it is believed that Hokara, the price 25 in needer, will cure it, but if it doesn't cure, the purchase price will be refunded.

A. A. Clarke, the local agent for Hokara, who has sold hundreds of packages, says that he has yet to find any form of wound or disease affecting the skin that Hokara does not heal, and its relief comes so quickly that those who try it are simply delighted with it.

Pimples, eczema, blackheads, acne, barber's itch, and all skin troubles are quickly relieved by applying this simple skin healer and tissue builder, and contains no grease or acids, and is cleanly to use.

A. A. Clarke's drug store is selling a large package of Hokara for 25c.—Adv.

MAN FOUND DEAD.

Believed to Have Fallen from Horse at Bridgeport.

Special to The Courier.

MOUNT PLEASANT, August 13.—The body of Mike Rusin, who lives some distance from Bridgeport, was found in front of the Bridgeport school house this morning. It is believed that he fell from his horse and was killed.

Rusin was employed at the slaughter house of John Szeko and left on horseback early this morning for work. The body was taken to the Reichman Company's morgue.

Films Water Battle.

Charles H. Balsley took moving pictures of the water battle between New Kensington and McKees Rocks in which the latter was the winner. He located his machine on the roof of a nearby residence and took everything.

Stader to Move.

Funeral Director J. L. Stader is preparing to move from his Main street building, into the Stader annex in a few days. He will have one room on the first floor and three on the second floor.

PERSONAL.

Miss Elizabeth Hogg of Pittsburg is the guest of her sister Mrs. James Asa Childs.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Matthews of Uniontown and Frank Buttermore of Greensburg are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Buttermore of the West Side.

Mrs. Jesse Roderick and son Jesse of Woodbridgetown, are the guests of the former's son, Omer Roderick of Apple street.

Solsson Theatre today, "When Romance Came to Anne," two reels, "Out of the Valley," and "A Wild Ride," (comedy.). 5 cents today.—Adv.

Miss Hazen Cowan of Ruffsdale, is visiting at the home of Miss Fern Ganner.

Miss Elsie Mae Maust of Homestead, is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lessig.

Miss Rosa Vetter of Charleroi, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Storey.

Ford Jamison of East Liberty, is visiting at the home of Clark Lessig.

V. T. Barry, superintendent of the Greensburg division of the West Penn Railways Company, is in town today.

F. J. Stader of Latrobe is the guest of his son, J. L. Stader.

Our coat fronts and collars are hand felled and padded and every seam sewed with strongest silk thread. Dave Cohen, Tailor.—Adv.

Samuel Leadbeater and sister, Mrs. George Russell of Oregon, left for their home this morning after a four months' visit with their brother, W. S. Leadbeater, of near Smithfield.

Mrs. H. L. Pigman and daughter, Miss Margaret, will leave Sunday for a sojourn at Atlantic City.

Ben Williams and daughter, Mary Louise, of Brownsville, are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Mary Tweddell and daughter of Hazlewood are guests of Miss Elizabeth Williams of York Avenue.

Misses Nelle and Margaret Brickman, Miss Ella Santer and Miss Mary Errett returned home this morning from Indian Head.

Stop at 103 West Main street if you wish the best butter, buttrine, eggs, cheese, teas, coffees, etc. Chicago Dairy Company.—Adv.

Mrs. Vinnie Graff and daughter, Miss Mabel, will leave tomorrow for a several weeks visit to Belleville, Lewistown, Milroy and Burnham.

Miss Mildred Lawson of Homestead is visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Youngkin.

D. J. Harper of Harrisburg is visiting friends here during the week.

Mrs. Harry Connell of Pittsburg and Harry Connell of this city have returned from a two weeks visit at Atlantic City.

Mrs. Harry Tweddell and daughter of Hazlewood are the guests of Mrs. Elizabeth Williams of York avenue.

Miss Ada Mae Hannam is home from a sojourn at Mountain Lake Park, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Norton left this morning for Bethany Beach, Del.

Miss Mary Winkler of Harrisonburg, Va., will arrive this evening for a visit with the Misses Santer of Washington avenue.

Rev. L. S. Colborn of Columbus, O., is visiting his brothers, Dr. A. J. Colborn, Alderman W. D. Colborn, and other relatives in this vicinity.

Dr. D. D. Brooks of Normalville is in town today.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Rist of Pennsville are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Rhenour of Greenwood.

Joseph Gribble has returned from New Salem, where he spent two weeks as the guest of his nieces.

Thomas Roderick of Philips took in the firemen's convention last evening.

Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Fletcher of Pittsburg, are guests of Mrs. Grayson of Dunbar, and Mrs. J. P. Newbrough of Dunbar, are guests of Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Gladden of Greenwood.

Dr. T. B. White and Dr. E. H. Edie arrived last night from an automobile trip to McConnellsburg, the old home of Doctor White. It was his first return visit in 50 years. On the site where the old White homestead stood is being erected a large church.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Snyder and children of Chestnut street have returned home from a two weeks' visit in New York.

MANY GO TO SHORE

Baltimore & Ohio Runs Big Atlantic City Excursion.

The semi-monthly Baltimore & Ohio excursion to Atlantic City this morning was the largest of the season and accommodations for a record-breaking crowd tonight are being ratched. Two special trains, one made up of solid Pullman cars with dining car service, and the other of day coaches with lunch car service following regular train No. 6. Tonight there will be two extra sections on No. 12, and one on No. 10.

About 50 tickets were sold at the station here. Among the local persons to take advantage of the excursion was Mrs. J. M. Herpich who will be joined in Baltimore by her daughter, Miss Eleanor L. P. Huth, Attorney P. D. Munson, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Porter, and Misses Helen and Jean Armstrong, Misses Naomi and Sarah Rosenblum.

Memento from Late Judge.

John Johnson of the West Side received yesterday from the family of the late Judge Nathaniel Ewing two silver clothes brushes. On each brush is engraved the name of Mr. Ewing, who was a life long friend of Mr. Johnson.

DEATHS.

Samuel McLaughlin.

Samuel McLaughlin a resident of Broad Ford for many years, died this morning at St. Joseph's Hospital, Pittsburg, where he underwent an operation for stomach trouble. Funeral Director C. C. Mitchell went to Pittsburg this morning and no arrangements will be made for the funeral until after his arrival home this afternoon with the body.

Mr. McLaughlin came to Broad Ford from Fort Loudon, Pa., and was well known in and around Connellsville. In addition to his widow he is survived by the following children: Mrs. F. J. Illig, Connellsville, Laura McLaughlin and Grover McLaughlin of Broad Ford; George McLaughlin of Wisconsin; Mrs. John Keck of Crucible. Miss Nora Metzler, a nurse at the Cottage State Hospital is a stepdaughter.

Robert Hagan.

Robert Hagan, 88 years old, died yesterday at his home in Uniontown. His widow, three sons and three daughters survive.

CONNELLSVILLE FOLKS ASTONISH DRUGGIST.

We sell many good medicines but we are told the mixture of buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., known as Adler-i-ka, is the best we ever sold. Connellsville folks astonish us daily by telling how quickly Adler-i-ka relieves sour stomach, gas on the stomach and constipation. Many report that a single dose relieves these troubles almost immediately. We are glad we are Connellsville agents for Adler-i-ka. P. H. Harmening, druggist, 515 West Main street.—Adv.

HUNDREDS OF WORTHY OFFERINGS

ARE HERE FOR THOSE WHO STUDY ECONOMY

The great selling of the past six weeks has left us with many broken lots which we wish to close quickly in order to make room for fast arriving New Fall Goods. Such lots we have marked at half and less than half to effect a prompt and complete clean-up. Why not come in and see if some of this merchandise is not just what you need.

SHIRT WAISTS.

Very Pretty styles in Shirt Waists, made with drop shoulders and kimono sleeves. White and stripes and with colored figures, made of voile and lawn, neatly trimmed with lace. These are splendid values for the money.

50c

SHIRT WAISTS.

Very handsome Shirt Waists, made of voile, crepe, lawn and batiste, beautifully trimmed with lace and embroidery. The very best styles shown this season. The maker's price was more than our present price. Exceptional values at

$1.00

SHIRT WAISTS.

High class Waists, made of fine quality lawn and crepe, elegantly trimmed. Made with new collars, three-quarter sleeves, an ideal waist for dress wear. Values are so good you'll make a liberal selection.

$1.50

SPLENDID SHOWING OF NEW RUCHINGS.

Dame Fashion has ordained that Ruchings are to be greatly worn. To meet the demand which we know will arise we bought, while in New York, 25 pieces of exceptionally great values, consisting of Oriental and shadow effects, in very handsome patterns. These are shown in white and cream. We are positive they will please you

25c Yd.

RIBBONS.

50 pieces of all silk ribbon, in Dresden, black and white stripes, plaids and stripes, good quality and widths up to 4 inches

10c yd.

RIBBONS.

75 pieces very fine quality Ribbons in beautiful Roman stripes, Persians, Moires, taffetas, checks and plaids, widths up to 6 inches

22c yd.

RIBBONS.

50 pieces rich Ribbons in an extra heavy quality, very handsome effects in Warp print Dresdens, satin taffetas, Moires and Fancies. Widths up to 6 inches

27c yd.

TABLE DAMASKS.

60 inches Mercerized Table Damask, in an assortment of patterns, an exceptionally good value, per yard **29c**

72 inch Mercerized Table Damask, very pretty woven patterns, brought out very distinctly, yard. **49c**

65 inch Half-Bleached Damask, strictly all linen, in assorted patterns, yard **79c**

DOMESTICS.

Lancaster Ginghams, in all the assortment of checks and colorings, yard **6c**

Standard Prints, in light and dark colorings, full count and fast colors, yard **5c**

Standard Percales, full widths in a pretty line of patterns in light and dark colorings, yard **10c**

SCRIMS.

Pretty Scrims, with plain centers and floral borders, 36 inches wide, yard **10c**

Curtain Scrims, in fine quality and handsome colorings and designs, yard **12½c**

Curtain Scrims, the same materials formerly sold at 25c, large line to select from, yard **15c**

FRIDAY, AUGUST, 14 WILL BE REMNANT DAY

THE E. DUNN STORE
CUTHBERTSON & ROE

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ON ACCOUNT

Of the very rapid rise in the prices of so many articles in the Grocery line, we will not quote any prices this week. If you want to purchase a bill of Groceries come in and get our prices before buying. We will save You Money.

Buy your Fresh Meats and Dressed Poultry from us and get the Best in the City.

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COMPLETE $2.50 VACUUM BOTTLE

Presented by The Daily Courier. Every day is a Vacuum Bottle Day.

For Old and Young—Rich and Poor.

Present the above Coupon at this office, with five others of consecutive numbers, and the cost amount of expense items named below and get this Simplex Vacuum Bottle.

$2.50——VACUUM BOTTLE——$2.50

Ready to use, all complete, including a handsome Nickel Cup attachment. Every bottle guaranteed to keep liquids hot 30 hours, and cold 50 hours. Strongest, most durable, most sanitary, most simple, highest Vacuum and most economical Bottle made. Every Bottle Guaranteed.

RUBBER-TONED AND NICKEL **98c** ALL NICKEL **$1.13**

PETEY ABROAD—Things Are Not As They Seem. P. S.—Observe Announcement. By C. A. Voight.

SCOTTDALE

Special to The Courier.

SCOTTDALE, August 13.—Rev. A. W. Paines, pastor of the Alverton charge of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was most agreeably surprised on Monday, his birthday anniversary, and the Doras Bible Class of which the pastor is teacher had charge of the affair. When the pastor arrived at the home of Albert Bench he found the reception hall crowded with 76 of his friends. On the lawn a beautiful service was held. After forming a circle with the pastor in the center several hymns were sung. This was followed by the presentation of a bunch of roses, Miss Amy Jane Porter making the presentation speech, and response was made in a touching manner by the pastor. Mr. Muir then gave a reading from Robert Burns and sang several Scotch songs. Speeches of congratulations and good wishes were made by H. H. Newingham, Edward Anderson and Frank Chain. After a delicious lunch games were engaged in, and after all joined in a circle and sang "Auld Lang Syne" and departed wishing the pastor-teacher many happy returns of the day.

BARN BURNED

The large barn of Daniel Yeutsey of White was struck by lightning during Sunday's storm, and burned to the ground with a quantity of stock and

WILL REBUILD

The Wadsworth teams from Acme passed through Scottdale on Tuesday with lumber for the rebuilding of the barn of John Rosen, near Franklin which was destroyed from a lightning strike a few weeks ago.

BUILDING A HOUSE

William Reynolds of West Pittsburg street extension is preparing for the building of a new residence on his property. Wright & Vance have the contract.

GRANDVIEW FESTIVAL

There will be a church benefit festival at Grandview on Saturday evening.

SPECIAL SERVICES.

There will be special services at the Jacobs Creek Church on Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock, with special music and sermon by Mr. Muir will sing a solo. All are invited.

HOME FROM SHORE

Misses Grace McGuffey and Gertrude Evans have returned home from a two weeks' stay in Atlantic City and other eastern cities.

AT MOUNT CLEMENS.

Michael Maglieri the grocer, and Peter Gentile, the tailor, are spending a few weeks at Mount Clemens, Mich., for a rest and the baths. Mr. Maglieri has frequently visited that resort but this is the first trip for Mr. Gentile. They expect to be absent about three weeks.

MRS. WILLIAM STONER.

Mrs. William Stoner of Alverton died on Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. She had undergone an operation in the Mount Pleasant Hospital about three months ago, and heart failure is given as the cause of her death. Mrs. Stoner was aged about 67 years. Before her marriage she was Phoebe Ann Fox, a daughter of David P. Fox. Besides her husband she leaves two sons, Charles Stoner, assistant cashier of the First National Bank of Mount Pleasant and Howard Stoner at home and a daughter, Mrs. Glen at home. The funeral services will be on Friday.

W. C. T. U. MEETING

The regular meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held at the home of Mrs. Cecelia Knipple, corner of Loucks avenue and Broadway, Tuesday evening at 7:15. Delegates will be elected to attend the convention at Monessen on September 3 and 4.

CAMPERS HOME.

The large crowd of young women, under chaperonage of Miss Maude A. Loucks and Ida Kane have arrived home from the Bungalow at Roaring Run in the Indian creek valley, after having a most delightful time, among the hundreds of campers in the valley this season. The Presbyterian Bungalow is the finest permanently arranged camp in the valley, and is very popular with Scottdale people. Besides the crowd of girls there were many men and women from town entertained there. Rev. J. E. Hutchison, S. A. Lowe and B. E. Reynolds played an important part in the entertaining of the camp and welcome visitors. Regular church services were held each Sunday, and last Sunday Rev. Mr. Hutchison preached, and the services in the afternoon were attended by the campers and about 200 of the valley people who came in from miles around. About 16 folks are still at the camp.

SMITHFIELD.

SMITHFIELD, August 13.—Walton Abraham of New York City is visiting relatives in the borough.

Miss Carrie Patton went to Greensboro today to attend the funeral of Mrs. Hopes Patton who died on Tuesday.

A party composed of six young men from Woodlandtown went up to Dunley's cave Tuesday on horseback. On their return here they lined up on their mounts in front of J. F. Smith's studio and had their pictures taken.

E. R. O'Neil met with the board of education of North Union township at Uniontown Tuesday evening and signed a contract to teacher the fourth room in the Wheel school the coming term. The salary is $75 a month. A clause in the township's contract provides that if a female teacher marries the contract is void.

The Baers and the Johnsons in this neighborhood and many others not connected took in the Johnson-Hoasacker picnic near Masontown today.

1-4 OFF ON ANY SHIRT IN THE HOUSE

"E. & W." SHIRTS FIT WELL AND WEAR WELL.

Beginning today we are going to offer you the choice of any shirt in our store at 25% less than regular price. This means that every man who knows the satisfactory wear that "E. & W." shirts give will stock up; and every woman who buys them for her husband will also lay in a supply. Its rare indeed that one gets an opportunity at such shirt values as these.

Regular prices of these are from $1.50 to $5.00, and while some lots are broken we will be able to fit every one. Included are a lot of smart silk effects with soft cuffs that will be appreciated by every good dresser. The out-of-town customer can take advantage of this sale thru our Mail Order Department. Your order will receive prompt and careful attention.

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High Class Tailor and Haberdasher.

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Just call us up on either phone. The Footer service you will find prompt, and once a customer you will see the advantage of sending your work in regularly.

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"I am satisfied," says a prominent physician, that coffee is responsible in a great degree for the premature breakdown of our active men and women.

"They suffer from caffeine poisoning.

"Of the truth of this, there is not the shadow of a doubt. Our common sense tells us that the daily swallowing of caffeine" (the alkaloid in tea and coffee), "powerfully affecting heart and brain—is followed by nervous depression, and finally by more or less disastrous results.

"I believe if people in general would use a harmless, nutritious drink like Postum as a beverage in place of tea and coffee, their physical and mental condition would be much improved."

Thousands, troubled with nervousness, biliousness, sleeplessness, headache and heart flutter, have done precisely what this physician advises—given up tea and coffee and adopted—

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"There's a Reason"

Postum is a pure food-drink, made from wheat and a bit of molasses, containing the nutrition of the grain. No caffeine—no drugs—no harmful ingredient in Postum. A delicious, nourishing beverage.

Postum comes in two forms:

Regular Postum, must be boiled, 15c and 25c pkgs.

Instant Postum, a soluble form, made in the cup, instantly, 30c and 50c tins.

Grocers everywhere sell both kinds and the cost per cup is about the same.

"There's a Reason" for Postum

CONFLUENCE.

CONFLUENCE, August 13.—Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Beggs and little daughter of Scottdale, are spending a several days' vacation with friends here.

Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Fichtner and two children have returned from a two weeks' vacation at Friendsville, Md.

Dr. and Mrs. H. P. Meyers and son, Paul, have returned from a few days visit in Somerset.

Mrs. E. B. Brown and daughter, Eva, will leave tomorrow for Bedford, where they will visit friends for several days.

Charles Knight, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Knight for several weeks, left for his home in Ottawa, Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Anspach and little son, James, arrived home yesterday morning from several weeks spent in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Frantz and son have returned to their home in McKeesport, after visiting friends near Somerfield for several days.

L. K. Fisher has returned to his home in Connellsville, after visiting friends here for several days.

The Sugar Loaf Sunday School will hold their annual picnic at Sugar Loaf Saturday, August 15.

MILL RUN.

MILL RUN, August 13.—Mrs. Mattie Oakes of Connellsville returned to her home last evening after spending a several days with friends here.

Miss Ruth Stallings of Cumberland, Md., returned to her home after spending a week with her sister Mrs. C. N. Mansberry.

Misses Stella Stallings and Margaret Shuck, guests of Mrs. C. N. Mansberry, were Connellsville callers yesterday.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will hold a basket picnic in Hutchison's grove today.

Read our advertisements.

ROCKWOOD.

ROCKWOOD, August 13.—The store of Shober & Shoner at Garrett was sold yesterday by the sheriff for $150.

J. P. Kelley, conductor on the Somerset & Cambria branch, has again resumed his position after spending a 15 day vacation at Atlantic City. His position was filled by Conductor Elwood Zearfoss during his absence.

Miss Julia Piper Gardner, daughter of Rockwood is spending several days visiting her brother-in-law and sister Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Brennan and other friends in Johnstown.

COMPANY HARD HIT.

River Company Loses 31 Barges Mong Lower Mississippi.

The sinking of 31 coal barges at Lobdell, La., by the heavy rain falls in that district was a heavy loss to the Monongahela Consolidated Coal & Coke Company as the fleet was said to be worth $150,000.

A large force of men are at work trying to recover the barges.

IOWA WOMAN TELLS OTHERS

How Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Carried Her Safely Through Change of Life.

Cedar Rapids, Iowa.—"At the Change of Life the doctor said I would have to give up my work and take my bed for some time as there was no help for me but to lie still. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and kept up my work and now I am over the Change and that is all I took. It was better for me than all the doctor's medicines I tried. Many people have no faith in patent medicines but I know this is good."—Mrs. E. J. RICKETS, 354 8th Avenue, West, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Such warning symptoms as sense of suffocation, hot flashes, headaches, backaches, dread of impending evil, timidity, sounds in the ears, palpitation of the heart, sparks before the eyes, irregularities, constipation, variable appetite, weakness and inquietude, and dizziness, are promptly heeded by intelligent women who are approaching the period in life when woman's great change may be expected.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound invigorates and strengthens the female organism and builds up the weakened nervous system. It has carried many women safely through this crisis.

If there are any complications you don't understand write Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) Lynn, Mass.

INDIAN CREEK.

INDIAN CREEK, August 12.—J. I. Rogers of Rogers Mill is a business caller in Connellsville today.

James Miller of Indian Head, is transacting business in Connellsville today.

William Stickel of Connellsville, is here today on business.

Miss Jennie Illig who spent the past year in Rochester and Raybrook, N. Y., returned home last evening, accompanied by her cousin, John Slager, who will spend two weeks at the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Illig.

Miss Helen Kimmell of Garrett, arrived here this morning and left for her home at Jones Mill where she will spend some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Kimmell.

Mrs. Jake Dull and two sons from Jones Mill, left for Connellsville this morning to attend the funeral convention.

E. W. Imbel has been busy killing weasels the past few days. Fortunately the rodents only killed one of his fine young pullets and Mr. Imbel bagged two weasels.

Mrs. Mary Hostetler of Mill Run, is calling on Connellsville friends and shopping today.

OHIOPYLE.

OHIOPYLE, August 13.—Mrs. Zebley and daughters of Lemont, arrived here last evening and will make a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Morrison on Sugar Loaf.

Mrs. W. H. Rafferty and son, Hugh, left on train No. 48 yesterday and will spend several weeks with friends in Hyndman, Wellersburg and Cumberland.

Mrs. Hampton Hall and children of Humbert, arrived here Wednesday to make a short visit with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Daniels of Alverton, are the guests of their daughter, Mrs. T. W. Fleming on Bridge street.

Jacob Stull of Bear Run, was a caller here yesterday.

Joseph Morrison of Bidwell, was in town yesterday.

Mrs. George Hershberger spent Wednesday with relatives at Mount Braddock.

David McClain and Oran Waters were among the Connellsville visitors yesterday.

Harvey Morrison and daughter, Alice, James Hall and Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Morrison of Sugar Loaf, were in town yesterday.

George Hall of Bear Run, was in town yesterday on business.

Louis Moon returned to his home near here, after a few days spent in Connellsville.

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MOUNT PLEASANT.

MOUNT PLEASANT, August 13.—Michael, the two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Galone of East Washington street, fell into a bucket of water yesterday when his mother was scrubbing. The child was badly scalded. Dr. J. I. Burkholder was called and attended the child.

Nine boys ranging in in age from nine to 12 years, were given a hearing yesterday before Justice of the Peace L. S. Rhodes for trespassing on the John Brinker farm. They were found guilty and assessed a fine and costs. The father of Rudolph Posta paid the fine and costs for his son, but the remainder of the boys were committed to the lockup and they cases will be disposed of by the county juvenile court.

Michael Kopota who was charged with assault and battery was discharged when the case heard before Justice of the Peace L. S. Rhodes yesterday for lack of evidence.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Stillwagon and Fred Stillwagon of Youngstown, O., are guests of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Otto Stillwagon.

W. M. LOOKING UP

Expenses Exceed Receipts, But Improvement is in Sight.

Expenses for May on the Western Maryland were 114 per cent of gross earnings. Carl Gray became president of the Western Maryland in March, and the very heavy expenditures and charges for maintenance in April and May are the result of a drastic policy of cleaning up deferred maintenance. June expenses are expected to be as heavy as those of May.

The management announces that part of the heavy maintenance for May is in extraordinary repairs to roadway and locomotives, but a considerable portion is due to an inventory shortage which was discovered at the time of the change in management.

The Western Maryland has been playing in hard luck ever since it was singled out to become the eastern outlet for the projected Gould transcontinental system, says the Railway Age Gazette. When this project fell through, the necessities as far as the Western connections of the Maryland road were concerned were met by the construction of the Connellsville line to connect with the Pittsburg & Lake Erie, which it was thought would supply a very good outlet to the east for the shippers of steel and similar commodities along the line of the latter road and its connections.

The advantages that should have followed the opening of this line have not as yet materialized, but it is beginning to appear as if this was due rather to serious mistakes of the old management than to the impossibility of securing large and important amounts of traffic from this connection.

COAL BUSINESS IMPROVES.

Mines of Pittsburg District Increase Their Output.

The mines of the Pittsburg district are operating at about sixty per cent and most of the coal is being shipped to the lakes.

There is some revival in business as a number of large orders have been placed with the steel mills, and this has caused a slight increase for coal.

Orders Show a Gain.

The Steel Corporation for the month of June reported an increase in the orders on hand instead of a decrease, which occurred for a number of previous months, and in July the announcement comes of an increase.

Don't Poison Baby.

FORTY YEARS AGO almost every mother thought her child must have PAREGORIC or laudanum to make it sleep. These drugs will produce sleep, and a FEW DROPS TOO MANY will produce the SLEEP FROM WHICH THERE IS NO WAKING. Many are the children who have been killed or whose health has been ruined for life by paregoric, laudanum and morphine, each of which is a narcotic product of opium. Druggists are prohibited from selling either of the narcotics named to children at all, or to anybody without labelling them "poison." The definition of "narcotic" is: "*A medicine which relieves pain and produces sleep, but which in poisonous doses produces stupor, coma, convulsions and death.*" The taste and smell of medicines containing opium are disguised, and sold under the names of "Drops," "Cordials," "Soothing Syrups," etc. You should not permit any medicine to be given to your children without you or your physician know of what it is composed. CASTORIA DOES NOT CONTAIN NARCOTICS, if it bears the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

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THURSDAY EVG., AUG. 13, 1914.

NEWSGATHERING.

The average newspaper reader is not familiar with the complex and costly machinery of newsgathering and the pains and expense publishers and editors take to get information of a reliable character. Some people imagine newspapers invent many of the stories they publish and it must be confessed that there are yellow journals which do open to this imposition but reputable newspapers do not. Above all things the facts.

Much of the war news is now admittedly highly colored and some of it even worse than that. It is sent to supply that daily craving the people have for information which the newspapers are expected to supply. The latter have no better means of special facilities for getting the information. War correspondents are allowed to accompany the armies in the field, but only on condition that they submit their copy to the censor before it is sent. This is a wise precaution, but it delays the news. Many of the correspondents are young men who have had little experience in such work, but they are doing the best they can under the circumstances. Their work is being closely watched by their employers and they are being tested as to their fitness for future assignments of a more responsible character. The general public does not realize what a school of instruction this war is for young men who are ambitious to succeed in the profession of newspaper correspondents. Many of them are now receiving the training that will fit them for better positions when the present war is over. Some of them will be called home by their papers to take more responsible positions on account of their experience in this war. The public is now receiving the benefit of the training of many young men who are learning their business at the expense of the newspapers they represent. Some of them will return wiser than any college can make them.

The Uniontown News-Herald in its issue of Saturday last, in its editorial columns, [illegible] the Connellsville Weekly Courier for its [illegible] in the matter of the general movement in this part of the country. This has all been done in a kind and fraternal way, but it shows that even country newspapers are now equipped with the information which a few years ago could not be secured except by the expenditure of a large sum of money. The latter have to be equipped with special facilities for getting the information. War correspondents will do well to [illegible]

STEEL MEN DIFFER AS TO EFFECTS OF WAR ON THE TRADE

Some Expect an Immediate Revival in the Industry.

OTHERS ARE NOT ENCOURAGED

Export Market Not In Such Bad Shape If Goods Can Be Carried to South America, Where Strong European Competition Is Met.

New York steel trade authorities are by no means unanimous in their opinions as to the probable effects of the European war upon the iron and steel trade in this country, says Financial America. Some believe that the trade will almost immediately benefit by the disturbances abroad, others suggest that temporary harm may be done but that the final result will be beneficial to the steel industry of the United States, while many are convinced that so great a disturbance cannot but affect the commerce of the entire world harmfully, although this country will not suffer as much as those more directly concerned.

The immediate effect of the call to arms in Europe has been felt only in the market for ferro alloys. The ferromanganese market, which had been showing weakness for several weeks, and had declined from $48 seaboard, a quotation held for some time, to $37.50 delivered last week to $39 and it is reported today that $40 a ton had been offered for the alloy with no sellers. The United States Steel Corporation is the only manufacturer of ferromanganese in this country, and as the corporation does not make enough to supply its own needs, all other concerns have been getting their supplies from Europe and the war has caused a complete cessation of shipments, with a withdrawal of quotations by foreign makers.

It is understood that there are practically no stocks of ferromanganese in this country, except those already in the hands of consumers, and that consequently it will be impossible to get any of the alloy, which is necessary in certain processes of steel manufacture. What the result of the shortage will be it is impossible to say now. [illegible] general opinion is that [illegible] companies who have [illegible] alloy on hand [illegible] what similar [illegible] in the case of ferro silicon.

[illegible] exports of steel [illegible] the direction [illegible] naturally put [illegible] of the metal in part of the [illegible] Europe, however, [illegible] of America in [illegible] South American [illegible] for shipment [illegible] the British [illegible] Europe [illegible] for shipment [illegible] South America and the British [illegible] Europe on export account [illegible] that might result in lower prices.

According to one of the leading steel men in this country a general interruption of operations by steel mills is not probable as a result of the scarcity of ferro manganese and alloys is necessary for the manufacture of all the better grades of steel.

As previously stated by Financial America, consumers were offering $40 [illegible] with no sellers. It was impossible to make any quotation now as there is none of the alloy in the market and any sales which may be consummated would have to be made at practically the [illegible] quotation, which might be anything from $40 up.

The United States Steel Corporation has a fair supply of ferromanganese on hand. The Corporation which is the only manufacturer of ferromanganese in the country was offering the alloy early this year but has withdrawn from the market as a seller for some time. What course it will follow in future is not known, and great life has not been decided by the management, but the general feeling is that it will give some ferro-manganese for sale to competitors, refusing to take advantage of the situation which may be otherwise for some of them being crowded out of the market. Even in this case there would not be enough ferro-manganese to permit full operations.

Some of the leading independent companies are in the habit of keeping several months' supply of the alloy on hand and this will help materially to relieve the situation so far as these companies thus provided for are concerned, but many of the companies have little if any ferro-manganese on hand, and it is practically certain that the corporation will not be able to sell them enough to meet their requirements. It is learned that the corporation has already been approached by a number of other steel companies who are in need of the alloy.

As a provision for an American merchant marine promises to be the only way in which an adequate supply of ferro-manganese can be obtained if the European war is protracted, while Russia and Germany have been the leading sellers in the past, there are large deposits of manganiferous ores in Brazil, and if American ships can be secured to bring it in safety to this country it would only be a matter of a few months and some expense before the prominent independent companies would be able to put themselves in a position to manufacture their own supplies of the alloy, as well as enough for sale to smaller concerns.

The tin plate industry is also threatened on account of the small stocks of pig tin in this country. Practically all the pig tin used is imported from the Straits Settlements and other Eastern localities and the disruption of commerce is likely to cut off these supplies entirely. It has been reported that pig tin is now selling at $400 a short ton, and it is suggested by those well-informed that unless the situation can be relieved very much higher prices will prevail.

STEEL TRADE SHOWS SIGNS OF POSITIVE IMPROVEMENT

Prices Marked Up a Dollar a Ton and the Situation Indicates Further Advances Soon.

From The Weekly Courier.

NEW YORK, August 12.—The American Metal Market and Daily Iron & Steel Report will review the steel and iron situation tomorrow as follows:

Prices of bars, plates and shapes have moved up a dollar a ton in the past week, while the sheet market has advanced about $2 a ton. Some producers of spikes, shafting, and similar manufactured goods are quoting higher prices, though no general advances are yet recorded in these lines. Wire products are likely to advance a dollar a ton within a week. Tubular goods are steadier, though no regular advance is expected. Tin plate has become almost unquotable, but there are limited offerings from the stock of coke bright plates at $3.60 for 100-lb., and of terne plate at $3.70 for I C.

One important cause of the stiffening in steel price is the scarcity of ferromanganese, for which three prices have already been paid in the case of small lots. One or two mills are reported bare of ferromanganese, but in general there are supplies, usually well distributed, to operate the mills for from one to four months. Relief will probably come first through importations of manganese ore.

Another important cause of the stiffening in prices which is in progress is the prospect that there will be a large export demand in the near future, as neutral markets may have to depend entirely upon the United States, instead of Britain only about one-fourth of their total requirements in this country. The Underwood bill to provide American registry for foreign built ships has strong support in the steel trade.

After all, however, the steel producers insist that the movement towards betterment in the steel market is an nearly two months before there was talk of war and can therefore stand on its own legs. Collections thus far have been satisfactory in the steel trade though they are hardly expected to keep up so well in the next few weeks. Credits are being very closely scrutinized, though there are no serious fears entertained as to any particular classes of buyers.

The Steel Corporation gained 125,712 tons in unfilled tonnage during July with shipments a trifle heavier than in June. This compares with a gain of 1,667 tons in June and a loss of 278,[illegible] in May.

BUSINESS PICKING UP.

Several Steel Plants Reported to be Increasing Operations.

A number of steel plants are increasing their working time and others are starting up who have been down for some time, among which are the McKeesport Tin Plate Company, Republic Iron & Steel Company, the Ashland Steel Company, and the American Rolling Mill Company.

Plants in the Pittsburg district in operation their operations are the Jackson Iron & Steel Company, Pressed Steel Car Company, the Carnegie Steel Company, and the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company.

$2,000,000 MERGER.

Zanesville Concerns Combine and Have Big Holdings.

A $2,000,000 merger of the T. R. Townsend Brick & Contracting Company, Northern Coal Company, Moniteau Coal Company, and the L. K. Brown Sand Company, all of Zanesville, O., took place recently, and the new concern will be known as the Earl M. Townsend Company.

The new company will have 3,000 acres of shale banks with options on several thousand acres of coal.

HAS BIG CONTRACTS.

Homestead Steel Works Filling Two Exceptional Orders.

The Homestead Steel Works is engaged on two of the largest orders for structural steel ever given in this country at one time.

One is for 85,000 tons of steel for two bridges approaching New York over the East river by the Big Four railroad the other is for $6,000,000 for a new bridge over the St. Lawrence river at Quebec, Canada.

RECEIVER NAMED.

Coal Company Heavy Loser Through Arkansas Strike.

The coal mines near Fort Smith, Ark., where trouble occurred recently between mine guards and striking miners have passed into the hands of a receiver.

The property was damaged to the extent of $200,000 by the striking miners and the companies claim they cannot operate at this time to meet expenses.

Pig Iron Buying Gains.

That recent buying of pig iron, at least in some districts, has been heavier than was known at the time, is disclosed by the fact that it is now known that sales for the first three weeks of July by the Buffalo furnaces, mostly for delivery in eastern territory have amounted to 150,000 tons.

Suit Over Account.

UNIONTOWN, August 12.—Suit for $897.91, alleged to be due on a book account, was filed yesterday by the Lanello Iron Company against the Connellsville Machine & Car Company of Connellsville.

Hunting Bargains?

If so, read our advertising columns. Patronize those who advertise.

THE COKE MARKET IS STAGNANT BUT PRICES STABLE

Steel Interests Increase Their Consumption of Coke But

MERCHANT STACKS STAND PAT

Idle Furnaces Contemplating Firing and Piling Pig for Speculation Blocked by Financial Situation. Foundry Tonnage all Contracted.

From The Weekly Courier.

PITTSBURG, August 12.—The coke market continues stagnant, but with no yielding in prices. The balance between production and consumption is quite rigidly maintained, and as all consumers are well covered by purchases made some time ago there is no occasion for fresh market transactions until some of the present contracts run out, or consumption is increased by the blowing in of additional furnaces, not provided with their own coke ovens.

Thus far the only increases in coke consumption have been by the United States Steel Corporation and the Republic Iron & Steel Company. The former has been bring additional ovens and is reported as putting some more in blast this week.

War news has had a quieting effect upon the pig iron market, transactions being less than in July, but prices are well maintained. In the steel trade there has been quite an advancing tendency in prices, commodities which make up fully one-half the total output of finished steel having advanced the past week by $1 a ton or more.

It is claimed that some of the idle furnaces which were recently figuring on getting into blast and making up some stocks of pig iron still have the operation in mind, but it is doubtful that anything will be done with the present financial situation.

Prompt furnace coke is still available at $1.75, for a number of brands. Precisely what would be done on contracts to the end of the year is not known, but it is believed that two or three producers would accept $1.75 for limited tonnages. It is well established that this price could be done through the present quarter. The $2.00 operators are not much heard from these days but they have not formally revised their view of demanding $2.00 for the contracts through the year and thus the contract market is quotable at quite a range.

Practically all the foundry coke contract tonnage has now been closed, for the period through next June and with this closing the volume of prompt foundry coke business has been reduced. At least 95 per cent of all the foundry coke shipments are now realized regular contracts, and purchases of prompt foundry coke are only by small and indifferent users, who are not particular about obtaining the very best brands. Thus quotations on prompt and contract foundry coke do not refer to precisely the same quality. The market as a whole stands quotable as follows:

Prompt furnace	$1.75
Contract furnace	$1.75@$2.00
Prompt foundry	$2.25@$2.35
Contract foundry	$2.25@$2.50

The Standard Sanitary Manufacturing Company has bought 5,500 tons of foundry iron for August and September delivery to its New Brighton and Allegheny plants, from five or six furnaces in the Valleys and Western Pennsylvania, on the basis of $13.00 at Valley furnaces, equal to $13.90, delivered Pittsburg. Otherwise the local pig iron market has been very quiet indeed. Prices, however, are well maintained, the situation being merely of buyers holding until they get their bearings after the overwhelming war news from abroad. If the pig iron market should take its cue from the steel market, as it usually does, it should begin an advancing movement, for enough advances have occurred in steel prices to show that a general upward movement is in progress. The pig iron market is quotable unchanged. Bessemer, $14.00; basic, $13.00; malleable, $13.00 to $13.25; No. 2 foundry, $13.00 to $13.25; gray forge, $12.50 to $12.75, at Valley furnaces 90 cents higher delivered Pittsburg.

TO MINE COAL.

Interests at Central City, Pa., Will Develop 200 Acre Tract.

Boucher Crichton Evans interests will mine the 200 acres of coal owned by them just outside of Central City, Pa., and it is practically certain that the Berwind White Company will make its second opening on the Amzi G. Berkeville farm near the same place.

The Pennsylvania railroad will run a spur to the above mines.

New Castle Loses Honor.

For over fifteen years the largest tin plate plant in the United States has been the Shenango works of the Steel Corporation at New Castle, but on July 20 when the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company started the new eight mill addition to their already 24 mill plant it became the largest plant in the country.

Expect Coal Development.

It is believed that a large coal tract in Fallowfield township near Charleroi, will be developed in the near future of the Warner Leonard Coal Company. The tracts were purchased for $292,750.

DAWSON.

DAWSON, August 13.—Mrs. John Swartz has returned from a visit to Pittsburg.

Guy Moore was in Connellsville yesterday.

Miss Ruth Seaman of Scottdale is visiting at the home of M. E. Strawn.

Miss Elizabeth Ander on of Scottdale is visiting Mrs. George C. McGill.

William McClure was a business caller in West Newton Wednesday.

PERRYOPOLIS.

PERRYOPOLIS, August 13.—The W. C. T. U. met yesterday in regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Rebecca Hersel, with sixteen members present. After the usual routine of business was transacted, the election of officers for the ensuing year followed. The office of president was left vacant until the next meeting. The other officers were filled as follows:

First vice president, Mrs. Nora Stenger, second vice president, Mrs. Elizabeth Luce, recording secretary, Mrs. R. P. Kimerer, corresponding secretary, Mrs. Maud Armstrong, treasurer, Mrs. Albert Reynolds, superintendents of departments: Anti-narcotics, Mrs. Minnie Weimer, Sabbath observance, Mrs. J. Shafer, parliamentary law, Mrs. Lizzie Luce, literature, Mrs. Annie Ramsler, medal contests, Mrs. Gertie Keller; mothers' meetings, Mrs. Mary Snyder; press, Mrs. Mary Sharp; scientific temperance instruction, Ethel Younkins, social meetings, Mrs. Lizzie Bradley, Sunday school work, Mrs. John Hall, soldiers and sailors, Mrs. Mary Aiffle, evangelistic, Mrs. Grant Buttermore.

It was voted to send "The Crusader" to the public school teachers to assist them in teaching the use and abuse of intoxicants and the need of temperance to those in their charge. The members present paid the treasurer at this meeting, one cent for each year they were old. The next meeting will be held at the home of some member in the country.

M. E. Strawn and J. H. Price of Dawson, and J. L. Cochran of Connellsville, attended a directors meeting at the First National Bank yesterday.

E. J. Bryan of McKeesport, was a business caller in town yesterday.

E. J. Ramsler was a caller in Lower Tyrone yesterday.

Mrs. Handlin and Mrs. Miller of Whitsett, were callers in town Wednesday.

The Union Sunday School picnic will be held in Fullers' Grove on Saturday. The children will receive the usual gift of refreshments from A. M. Fuller.

Cecil Bradley has been spending several days with Layton friends.

Mrs. John Nutt and family have returned from a visit at Douglas, Pa.

Mrs. William Hanam is visiting friends at Vanderbilt.

M. Karolenk is the purchaser of a new Maxwell car.

Miss Cynthia Reed returned last evening from a visit with friends at Pittsburg.

Mrs. Mary Gaddis of Uniontown, is visiting friends in town.

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DICKERSON RUN.

DICKERSON RUN, August 13.—A lamp exploded last night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Cekovsky at Liberty, causing a small blaze. The fire was extinguished before the fire department arrived.

Three special trains passed through here over the Pittsburg & Lake Erie this morning carrying firemen from McKees Rocks, Braddock, Rankin and McKeesport to the firemen's convention in Connellsville.

Harry Lint lost a valuable cow last week, which on examination by the State Livestock Sanitary Board was ordered killed, it having contracted tuberculosis. It was valued at $60.

Suit Over Furniture.

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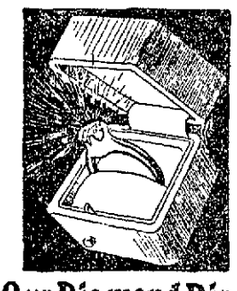

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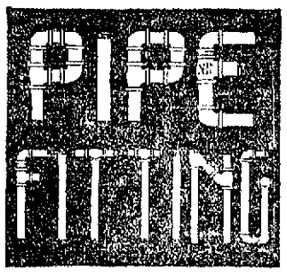

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Germany has prepared herself against war with France since 1871. In 1875 *such a war was averted by the narrowest of margins.* Since then Germany has striven with might and main to perfect her military power to a degree unknown until the genius of Moltke made Germany a national unit.

The frontier between Germany and Russia, which both nations have fortified at short intervals, covers 843 miles. *The various fortresses are connected* with each other by underground telegraph and telephone, while strategic military railroads lead to the principal military centers in the interior.

German a Born Soldier.

The German is a soldier of the highest type—born a soldier, nurtured as one—developed to the highest degree of efficiency.

The German army consists of the first line, landwehr and landsturm, the last a home defense reserve. Two regiments *of infantry, six battalions, form*

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GENERAL VON MOLTKE, CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE GERMAN ARMY.

a brigade, two brigades a division and two divisions an army corps. In war all corps will be constituted of thirty *six battalions. To each infantry di*vision is attached an artillery brigade (twelve batteries) and a regiment of cavalry (four squadrons), to each army corps four batteries of howitzers, a battalion of rifles and an engineer battalion. The war strength of a complete division of two brigades is about 14,000 and of an army corps of two divisions 30,000. *There are altogether* twenty five army corps of two divisions each.

There is only one permanent cavalry division—that of the guard—but in war eight divisions are formed from the line regiments. The normal strength of a cavalry division is three brigades of two regiments each, with three batteries *of horse artillery. In all* twenty-four squadrons of twelve guns.

Total Field Army of 1,250,000.

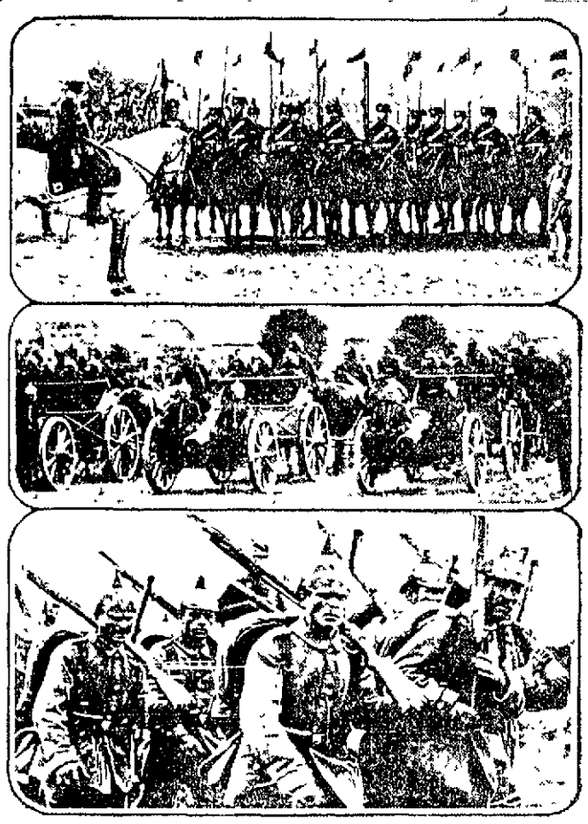
The total of the field army is 1,250,000 to which must be added the mobile landwehr of 400,000. In addition it is estimated that there are at least 1,500,000 trained men to supply waste of war. The landsturm is not included in this number. The peace footing is 33,394 officers and 754,981 men.

The army is armed with Mauser magazine rifles and the cavalry with Mauser carbines. The field and horse artillery have Krupp guns, firing a fifteen pound shell. There are seventeen aeroplane companies, with 173 officers and 4,440 men.

The intended employment of the reserve troops in war has not been divulged by the German general staff, but the plans show that most of the two brigade divisions will be augmented by a reserve brigade in war and that all army corps in the German army can take the field with six brigades, the artillery being increased proportionately by reserve regiments. To each infantry division is attached in war an artillery brigade of twelve batteries.

There are eighteen cyclist companies in the German army. The German *field batteries are equipped* with six guns each, and the horse batteries have four guns each.

Prussia, with Baden and Hesse, is divided into sixteen military districts, each of which furnishes a complete army corps. There is also a Prussian guard corps drawn from the whole



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GERMAN UHLANS, ARTILLERY AND INFANTRY.

kingdom. Saxony, Wurttemberg and Belgislaud furnish five army corps. In the German army are 217 regiments of infantry containing 171,766 men, 110 regiments of cavalry with 82,007 men, 100 regiments of field artillery with 86,000 men and 24 regiments of foot artillery with 33,000 men. The German army uses 157,000 horses, of which over 80,000 are for the cavalry alone.

Take Lessons From Napoleon.

In January 1914, the German war office ordered a translation to be prepared of "Preceptes et Jugements de Napoleon," collected and classified by Lieutenant Colonel Ernest Picard of the French army. Thus after thirty-four years the Germans seem to have taken the advice of Von Moltke to study the campaigns of Napoleon. But this is not all. As everybody knows, Napoleon's favorite arm was artillery, and in that arm there are to be wide spread reforms and reorganization, particularly with the object of obtaining the greatest mobility, if not interrupted by war.

Eleven divisions of artillery have been changed from "riding" batteries to "driven" batteries. That is the *official description of the change*, which—officially again—was defended on the ground that there would be a large saving in men and horses without any proportionate loss in fighting force, since it was practically useless to have the riding batteries unless they were always working in collaboration with cavalry, and for this purpose there *were already enough.*

The most important part of the change, however, lies in the fact that the batteries are now only four guns each in place of the regular German six. This means a striking vindication of the French artillery principles, such as were propounded by General Langlois, and no doubt the teachings of the Balkan wars have had something to do with the innovation. Hitherto the German critics have criticized the French four gun battery on the ground that, if more mobile, it was far less forceful.

Now, however, artillery experts here have come around to quite another point of view. One of the most experienced reported the other day that the smaller batteries were both easier and quicker to handle on the march, and far easier to bring into action. Positions useful *for a four gun* battery were twice as easy to find and they were generally far better than those for a six gun battery.

The principle is now so generally accepted and approved that the idea of adopting it for the whole army is being seriously discussed. The 144 guns of each army corps would then become thirty six batteries in place of the present twenty-four. For the time being this plan was vetoed.

The chief reason against the change was the effect it would have on the line of march, as it would lengthen out the march column very considerably. The tactical value of the four gun battery in the field was not disputed.

Another artillery reform which was not by any means clearly indicated in *the new military law was the great in*crease of howitzers. Some of the riding batteries have been quietly changed into howitzer batteries, and now where every army corps had its complement of howitzers every division possesses the same force. The howitzer, indeed, in the opinion of many German critics, is "the weapon of the future."

The Spirit of the Army.

It is a superb sight to see a German regiment on parade drill, perfect in equipment to the uttermost button, *and Fritz in the ranks appreciates it* and exults in it as well as the field marshal or even the sub-lieutenant. But if Fritz is locked in jail for a week or two because a single button on his coat appeared to the eye of Baron von Martinet to be not absolutely free from tarnish by the acid test why, then, the other Fritzes frown behind their placid masks and welcome the propaganda of democracy. It must be borne in mind that as the social democracy is the most numerous of all the po*litical parties in the empire so* the great majority of that party consists of men who have served their time with the colors under the conscription law. That fact gives added force to the popular disapproval of military abuses. It is not the army, per se, to which even radical social democrats object so much as to the tyrannous *exaggerations of the spirit of military* caste. There is arising a demand that the army shall be considered, and shall consider itself, a part of the citizen body of the nation, amenable in time of peace like all the rest to the common civil law. But in time of war all other considerations are overthrown.

Kaiser the Supreme General.

*Emperor William is of course gener*alissimo of the German armies, both of the kingdom of Prussia, of which he is king, and of the other kingdoms, duchies and principalities making up the German empire. With him are associated as leaders of their armies the kings of Saxony, Wurttemberg, Bavaria, etc., all of whom are trained soldiers. *The heads of the other* smaller German states are also military men and for the most part capable leaders of the forces of their states.

Next to Emperor William comes the chief of staff, Lieutenant General Count Helmuth von Moltke, nephew of the famous Von Moltke, who was *accounted the greatest strategist of* the nineteenth century save only Napoleon Bonaparte. Count von Haeseler holds the rank of field marshal general, the highest in the German or any other army. Other officers high in rank are Generals Von Goltz, Von Lindequist, Von Plessen, Von Kessel, Von Horn, Von Bulow, Von Scholl and Von Prittwitz—all these in addition to the numerous royalties, Prussian and non-Prussian, who hold high rank in the German army. In some cases the titles of these last named are purely honorary and they cannot be called upon for active field service, but in others, as has been stated, the royalties are trained soldiers and able to give good accounts of themselves as masters of large bodies of fighting men. War always finds them in the forefront of the German forces.

Trouble For Pa.

"Where do they wind you up, Miss Skreeker?"

"Wind me up?"

"Yes. Pa said you sang mechanically."—Houston Post.

Tonsorial Sarcasm.

Barber—Very sorry, sir, but I'm afraid I've made a small cut on your chin. Subject—Ah, it must have been a sharp spot on the razor.—London Punch.

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CHAPTER XVIII.

And Counterplots.

When Pedro and Sam Hill separated on the night of their Jersey adventure, the latter made straight for Jones street, accompanied by Beau-Jean, and upon reaching the refuge of the rear tenement tumbled into bed without more ado, and for seven hours slept the sleep of the just, his head upon an improvised pillow of quilting—beneath which his hand grasped the precious document that Iris, as he thought, had sent him.

Very possibly his repose would have continued for a much longer period, had it not been for the activity of Guenevere and Hermanta in the room immediately below. These ladies, their household duties, as usual, entirely neglected, were loudly applauding Old Nita's efforts to instruct Koko in a new accomplishment; namely, to use as cymbals the lids of two fish kettles strapped to his front paws.

Now the clash of cymbals, no matter how amateurish and uncertain the performer's efforts, is not conducive to slumber, to say the least of it; and, therefore, with a groan of protest, Sam returned to consciousness of all that had befallen him, and all that was yet to be undertaken. While he washed and shaved he pondered deeply upon how he should set about getting the information that Iris desired. As he drew on his boots he still wondered, and uncertainty did not cease with the knotting of the silk bandanna about his throat. But at about this point hunger began to distract his attention, and so, deciding that he would be able to think more collectedly upon a full stomach, he descended to the flat below and demanded to be fed.

Koko dropped to his all-fours at this intrusion, glad to be rid of the encumbering kettle-lids, which Old Nita untied, grumbling at the interruption of the lesson, but nevertheless delighted to see Hill. The other two women bustled about and prepared food for him, and soon he was munching ruminatively, oblivious of, and impervious to, the questions that they showered upon him. At last Hill's attention was arrested by them, however, and he inquired if Anna were ill.

"No," replied Nita. "She is going to have a baby in the spring, that is all, and she is getting so that she will not let Rico out of her sight; nor will she go out with him to dance the bear. How they will live I do not know, what with bringing no money in, and such l'Heures! They are a pair of fools, those two. I am a very wicked woman, I am, but I really do think they should get married now."

"Are they not married?" said Hill, surprised. "Why not, do you suppose?"

Nita merely shrugged and turned away upon some matter of her own. Hill, cup in hand, arose and approached the lovers.

"Bon jour," said he abruptly. "Why the devil aren't you married?"

Rico looked up pleasantly, his smile ever ready and friendly for the beloved Samhill. Then, as the latter's words sank into the unknown depths of his slow mind, a cloud crossed his handsome face.

"Married? Why, I do not really know, mon ami," he responded slowly. "Anna—why are we not married?"

For a moment she looked as bewildered as Rico, and then a smile of understanding broke upon her lips.

"Why!" she said, "we love each other! We have been very, very busy loving each other, and dancing the bear I do not believe we ever thought about getting married."

So serious and obviously sincere was this reply that Hill scarcely knew whether to laugh or frown. But to refrain from making the patent suggestion was impossible.

"Why not do it, now that it occurs to you?" said he.

Rico looked at him earnestly.

"Do you advise it, Samhill?" he asked. "We could not love each other the more because of a few words said over us!"

"Very true," replied the painter gravely, "but there is the child to consider. You would like it to bear your name, would you not?"

"It shall be called Rico if it is a boy," said Anna's lover. "but a girl would be Anna, so what is to be gained in that case?"

"Her your last name," insisted Hill.

"Last name? But I have none!" objected Rico.

To gain time Hill finished his coffee. "It would take a long while to explain just why it is a good plan to be married," said he at last. "But if you are willing to take my word for it, allow me to say that it is good! In fact, I am contemplating doing it myself before very long."

"Well," said Rico, "if you say it is good, it must be so. We will find a priest if you agree, Anna."

"I've no objections," replied Anna; and so it was arranged.

Leaving them to discuss the idea, Hill fell to planning how best to approach Vanderpool. Why not go direct to him at his office? Preposterous as the notion seemed at first, the more he thought upon it, the more plausible it appeared. Was there not as good a chance of finding out the truth in this manner as in any other? Vanderpool had agreed to his (Hill's) incarceration, it was true, but the reasons for so doing were strong, and his objections had been overruled by the rest of the gang with whom the asphalt magnate had appeared to be associated. At any rate, it was worth trying. Vanderpool was aware of the knowledge which he (Hill) possessed, and under any circumstances the latter would be working under a search-light, so to speak, the moment his escape was discovered. On the whole, the notion seemed a good one, for by its execution nothing could be lost, while much might be gained.

"And I think," he said aloud, "that I shall take Mr. Jones; he will make me more conspicuous and, consequently, safer."

"What's that?" queried Nita.

"Merely that I am going out now, mother," responded Hill, rising forthwith.

Out from the dimness and dirt of the back tenement, from the low-roofed houses, degraded mansions of an earlier day, out from the muck and squalor, the slush and grime of unswept Greenwich into the roaring canyon of commerce to the east, went Hill, the little brown bear tagging after, and joining with his master the river of humanity that swept between the towering cliffs of granite on either hand; the strange, incomprehensible towers, which stretched up, up, higher than one at their feet could see, at a single glance, any more than he could grasp their significance with a single thought. Before one of these buildings Hill paused, and assuring himself that it was that which he sought, began maneuvers to gain admittance.

At first there was difficulty with the door-keepers on Mr. Jones' account, but they were successfully persuaded, and he passed them only to be balked by the elevator man. There was more protest than that of the uniformed official to cope with, for Mr. Jones flatly refused to enter the car, and in the end Hill was obliged to leave him in charge of a half-delighted, half-frightened porter.

"Just as well," murmured the painter, as he was spirited upward. "If they have any clap-trap mysteries about that office, secret dungeons, etc., and I don't come down, they will get tired of holding the bear, and come up after me."

Even before he had come to this optimistic conclusion they reached the twenty-ninth floor, and the offices of United Asphalt company.

However, difficulties were not at an end, and it was only after considerable argument and hauteur that Sam succeeded in having his name sent in to the president of the concern. The name, it seemed, was magical in its effect, for almost instantly the superfluous office boy who had condescended to take it in returned briskly, and invited "Mr. Hill to please to step this way"—and so, without more ado, Sam found himself face to face with Iris' father.

As Hill entered the luxuriously appointed office, the distinguished man at the wide shining desk did not look up until he had finished addressing the letter upon which he was engaged. When he had done so, and secured the seal, he turned and faced Hill with the frank, direct look was known to be characteristic of him.

"Well, Samuel Hill!" he said, "so you have not only escaped, but felt it safest to board the lion in his den—to seek out the conspirator in the midst of the market-place. Why?"

For an instant Hill wavered as to what course was best; and then, in view of the attitude with which he himself had come armed, decided to return frankness for frankness.

"I have come because of this," said he simply, taking Iris' manifesto from his pocket and spreading it upon the desk before her father. Vanderpool fumbled at the black silk ribbon that secured his eye-glasses, found and adjusted them, and began to read the little paper. When he had come to the end, he went back and read it for the second time; and then, spreading it upon his knee, sat looking at it in silence.

"Well?" said Hill, desiring, at any cost, to come to the point.

"You love my daughter?"

"Yes."

"And she?"

Hill merely pointed to the paper.

"She has been distressed about you for some time," said he, "and as you were unwilling to relieve her mind, she decided that you were being victimized in some manner, and so set to—me to find out the cause of the trouble."

"Hum!" said Vanderpool. "And why did you not come here this way, in the first place, instead of spying upon my activities disguised as a goodness-knows-what?"

"Because I knew you would be under no necessity to tell me anything unless I already possessed some knowledge," fled Hill with a readiness that surprised himself.

"Then this is a sort of blackmail?"

"Not at all!" cried Sam hotly. "I have no wish to use the power which the knowledge I have gives me over you—though that and the evidence of the friends who rescued me from that beastly hut would be a pretty strong weapon if I chose to use it. But I don't; to do so would be to defeat my own ends and those of Iris. What I want is nothing more than some statement from you, which will enable me to fulfil the conditions of that promise which your daughter has signed. Beyond reassuring her, I give you my word that I shall keep your confidence entirely; furthermore, if I can honestly do so, I shall even assist you in your enterprise!"

Vanderpool arose and began to pace up and down, silently, appearing to consider the proposition that the younger man had just made. Then he stopped abruptly, shooting a direct glance at Hill from under his fine

"You Have My Daughter?"

brows. He was a man of quick decisions, and he had decided in Hill's favor.

"I believe you are sincere," he said slowly, "and there, I am going to trust you with the whole story. Sit down and smoke if you like—no, I prefer to walk."

The financier continued to pace in silence for a few moments, his white head bowed, his thin, youthful figure alert and active as a boy's, his handsome cameo-like features contracted in thought. Then he spoke abruptly.

"You have surmised that a revolution was afoot? You are right—there is—in Venezuela. My asphalt interests are chiefly there. The export-tax, as it stands, would be a drain upon my profits, and ostensibly that is the reason for my backing this scheme to upset the present government. But there is another reason, a deeper one, known only to myself and one other—Rowe. It concerns a woman, who, he tells me, is kept a prisoner by the now president of that God-forsaken place. Let me tell you about her. When I first took up this business I went to Venezuela to make my contracts. I got good ones, and I made friends with the dictator—a fine old man. He had a very young wife—hardly more than a child. I fell in love with her and she with me. She had a child—a girl it was, but it was being brought up as a boy because the father had been so bitterly disappointed at having no son . . . and Carmen was faithful to her child and her husband . . . I am glad she was . . . I would not have had it otherwise. But we danced together a great deal . . . there was no harm in that . . . Then, one night the inevitable, or rather the usual revolution broke out. It broke out in the ballroom . . . where we were waltzing. The orchestra stopped abruptly; all was confusion. I was knocked unconscious while trying to save her husband. When I came to, I was aboard a ship bound for New York. The president was saved, as I learned afterward, but the revolution was successful and he was deposed. Carmen, I heard, was dead. Then, after a while, I married to please my family."

"Iris' mother?" said Hill.

"Yes," continued Vanderpool. "She died within a year, leaving the baby . . . I was fond of her, in a way, and sorry . . . but I never forgot Carmen. Recently, I came across Rowe, who had been prominent in the affairs of Venezuela during my visits there. He told me that Carmen was not dead. . . . Good God! that was all he needed to say, but he added that she was being kept a prisoner, to all intents and purposes, by the present government for fear that the country would rise in favor of her supposed son if she were left free. Now you will understand the situation. I have financed everything. The last boat sails on the early tide, before daylight tomorrow. I have here a letter to my daughter which I thought would sufficiently explain my absence."

"You are going with them—with the revolutionists!" exclaimed Hill.

"I am going to rescue Carmen," replied Vanderpool with a wistful smile.

"And you sail at dawn! Will you not come with me to the house at once, and tell Iris what you have told me," cried Hill excitedly. "By Jove! it's a wonderful story! It will set everything right for me, if you'll only come along!"

"Impossible!" replied Vanderpool. "There are some vital details yet to be attended to. Besides, I prefer not to return to the house again. The servants have been told I have gone away for some time, and I do not now wish to do anything that will excite the slightest comment."

"But Great Scott!" exclaimed Hill in dismay, "will you write out a certificate for me to show her as the proof of what I shall tell her?"

"I heard the young lady giving instructions that you were not to be admitted," said Vanderpool with a twinkle. "Has the order been revoked?"

"I—I don't know," gasped Hill. Then an idea struck him, and he laughed aloud in relief.

"See here!" he said, "she is going to a costume dance at the Milligans tonight. Couldn'tt you go there with me just before you leave for the boat, and help me get things straightened out? I know it's a lot to ask, but—"

"But you're not above asking," finished Vanderpool with a laugh. "Yes, I think it could be managed. I'll have to go in these clothes, though. Will they let me in?"

"I'll take care of that!" cried Hill joyfully, "where shall I meet you?"

"Call for me at the Calumet club, at about twelve," said Vanderpool.

"I—I don't quite know how to thank you," began Hill, but the other stopped him with a gesture.

"I have been 25 years without the thing I am helping you to get," said he. "Do you suppose I want you to wait? Then, too, I rather like the idea of having you for a son-in-law. You'll be good for Iris."

"Er—yes!" said Hill.

"And now, get out, I'm busy," said Vanderpool, tearing in half the letter that he had just written.

CHAPTER XIX.

A Momentous Evening.

Do Bush dined at the Milligans on the night of the masquerade, and besides the great painter there were Edwards and little Berry Forest, who paints those fluffy landscapes. Blaume ate there, too, and Theodore Pell, who came in at salad-time, and absent-mindedly ate it all, while he told of seeing Pedro at Bear Peter's place, and of the splendid article which he, Pell, had made out of it. And as was the custom of the house, when the coffee cups had been drained for the second time, Bell Milligan made them all help to clear up, and get the floor waxed, for it was nearly ten o'clock, and before long the guests would begin arriving.

Bell wore a yellow costume with sparkling things on it, and ornaments of the same sort across her forehead, and to it she added an all-enveloping gingham apron, while she superintended the arrangements, her frank chaff and the laughter which made her so well beloved by all these famous men, ringing clear.

The dim red lanterns were lighted, the cellar, with its two famous kegs of October brew, was arranged for those who chose to sit and drink to the accompaniment of dancing feet upon the studio floor above; the tiny kitchenette was crammed to its uttermost capacity with the good things for supper, and at half past ten precisely the musicians arrived: a thin flutist, a fat German cellist, a dapper, dyspeptic pianist, and a temperamental, hungry-looking violinist. These took up their places around the weather-beaten piano, and tucking their handkerchiefs under their chins, prepared for the strenuous time that was traditional of the Milligans' parties. Around the walls were couches, and between them, on the floor, cushions, to serve as seats.

"I wonder if there are enough?" said Don, and without waiting for an answer, darted across the alley to take from under the very head of a neighbor, the desired articles, with which he presently returned. Meanwhile, De Bush, gray-haired, dignified despite his pirate costume, was solemnly sliding over the wax he flung upon the floor, while on the balcony Blaume, the poet-model, and Pell, were giving each other illustrations of the latest Gotch-Hackenschmidt match, greatly to the detriment of their costumes.

Then the first "outside" guest arrived, a lady in the character of the queen of Sheba. Instantly she was surrounded by an admiring, clamoring, teasing group.

"Am I the first?" asked the lady.

"No, indeed," said Bell comfortingly, with as much inanity as the question required. And then, just as the situation was becoming unbearably stupid, as such moments at the beginning of a party always are, the door opened to an Apache, full-painted for war. A wild whoop went up at once, and before it had subsided, the crowd began to stream in, many-colored, noisy, gorgeous or humorous, filling the dim studio with a dream-like throng, alive with movement, fraught with the delightful mystery of familiar friends in disguise.

The air was full of chatter, of laughter, of delighted screams of recognition. "Good Lord! it's Bill! Look what Bill has on! Have you seen Mazie's tights!!! Kitty has on a blonde wig!—yes, it is Ken Harris! Well! look at Mr. De Bush, will you! Hello, Pell, old boy, feel as great a fool as you look?" etc., etc. From the corner where the musicians sat, came an ungodly squeaking and scraping, the perfume of burning incense, of new-lit cigarettes, of heavy cosmetics and camphor, hung in the atmosphere. The hungry violinist readjusted his handkerchief and waved his bow; there was a blast of melody, maddening, enticing, and the crowd in the center of the room began to move rhythmically. The guests continued to pour in.

Among these came Leigh, clad in high boots, rough shirt, and trousers, carrying an ax, his coat thrown over his arm, this costume having been created to emulate the personal appearance of the great American for whom he had been named.

After a quick word of greeting to Don Milligan, he thrust his impedimenta into a corner, and began to search among the crowd for the face that had haunted him incessantly the 18 hours past. But although many smiled at him, and beckoned him to join them, he shook his head in refusal, and continued to look for Pedro.

But Pedro was nowhere to be found, and instead, in a small room opening on to the balcony, he came upon Iris, who, seated upon a divan, was engaged in warding off the eager attentions of Pell, who was determined that she should dance with him.

"Hello, Iris!" said Leigh, coming up, and at once perceiving that she wished to be rid of the young reporter. "Hello, Pell! get out of this, will you? I've something particular I want to tell Miss Vanderpool."

"You brigand!" retorted Pell, making a wry face, "what right have you, boarding my ship this way? However, despite my newspaper instinct, I shall withdraw from earshot. But if you see a paragraph or two about yourselves, don't be surprised!"

With which witticism he was off.

"Fresh cub," muttered Leigh. Then to Iris, "May I sit down, or would you rather be left alone?"

"I—no, that is, yes!" said Iris confusedly. "Do sit here beside me, please. I—I feel rather unhappy tonight, and that boy bothered me. What is it that you have to tell me?"

"Absolutely nothing," said Leigh, sinking down beside her, "it was only a ruse. But I'll try and think up something if you like."

"Don't trouble!" replied Iris with a little laugh.

"Perhaps—that is, if you like to, you know—will you tell me something?" Leigh responded.

"That depends," said Iris, patting the shimmering skirt of her costume. "That depends on the nature of the question."

"I have no question to put," he told her. "It is only that I can see you are unhappy, and there must be a reason for it. Now, if you told me that reason, the telling might help you to discern its real significance."

"You say such odd things," she replied, "and such true ones! In most cases your receipt might work, but, in this one, it won't. You see, my chief trouble is that I have made an awful fool of myself, and talking about it would only make me more fool than ever."

"Not necessarily," he responded. "For instance, you might have been misled in the first place. You are scarcely responsible for that, and all your foolishness might be subsequent and dependent upon such misleading, or deception."

"That's it exactly!" cried Iris. "Oh, Mr. Leigh, do you think it would be very terrible if I were to tell you something—something that involved a third person, I mean? It would ease my mind so, and I must have advice! My father has gone off somewhere, and there is no one else. Do you think I might?"

"I think you might," replied Leigh slowly. "I think it would do no harm to tell me if it concerned one particular person. I mean—Pedro!"

"So you know!" cried Iris, violently agitated. "You know! And I never even guessed, and went on making love to him . . . her, that is, and couldn't understand why he—she didn't like it. And oh! more than that, I did terrible things; that is, they would have been terrible if Pedro had been a man. I went there alone. The model told me I ought not to, and why; but I was mad—I did not really understand what she meant. And then, last night"—her voice sank to a whisper and she kept looking fixedly at the floor—"last night I went to Pedro's studio again alone . . . I was desperate . . . I didn't clearly know what I was doing. And he (that was before I knew), Pedro, told me plainly, right out plainly . . . and I didn't care . . . and at last he had to confess he was a girl . . . and oh! Mr. Leigh, do you think Sam will ever forgive me for being such a wicked fool? And do you think he will ever come back so that I can tell him how sorry I am that I ever picked that silly, wrong-headed quarrel with him? Oh, do you?"

Leigh's voice shook with emotion as he answered her, and he was glad that she did not look him in the face as he spoke, for he knew that at the moment its expression had got beyond his power of control.

"Yes," he said unsteadily, "it will all come right!"

He got to his feet, and took an uncertain step or two, the words she had just uttered concerning Pedro still ringing in his brain. The pace or two had, however, brought him facing the door. In it his eyes met a sight that would ordinarily have been sufficient to fill him with amazement, but Leigh was too much stunned by Iris' unconscious confirmation of his own secret knowledge to feel any further emotion just then. But he managed to speak, and the words aroused Iris like magic.

"Yes," he said feebly, "I think you will have the opportunity of apologizing, for here comes Sam Hill now!"

Then they both stared hard at the door, where, sure enough, Sam was standing, disguised as a bear trainer, every detail of his costume complete, down to the very bear itself. Iris gave a little cry. He was smiling at her, and behind him shadowed the tall figure of her father. She turned to her lover, her hands outstretched.

"Samuel!" she said brokenly, and was gathered into his arms.

"Samuel, beloved of the Lord!" muttered Leigh, as he reeled out on to the balcony like a drunken man. From the floor below came the rhythmic stamp of many heels, and the tinkling tune of the "Spanish."

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In the little room a few explanations were taking place.

"Sam, my son-to-be," said Vanderpool, "it seems to me that you needed neither my presence nor your document."

And Iris, still clinging to her lover, was sufficiently curious to ask:

"What document, father?"

(To Be Continued.)

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The little boy's suit illustrated here is made of blue flannel, with turned over linen collar and cuffs. The garment is presentable anywhere with collars and cuffs. With these removed it makes a neat little bathing suit. Lightweight mohair and wool is a material which may be adopted for the making of the suit if flannel is not liked. It may also be carried out in any of the lightweight or washable fabrics suitable for boys' suits at this season.

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The gown shown here is of light crape combined with a darker shade. The latter is adopted for the collar, cuffs and the deep empiecement for

EMBROIDERED CRAPE GOWN.

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The tips of many gloves are colored. Occasionally the inside sections of the fingers are of a different color. Gray or champagne colors are worn to the exclusion of the white gloves so long popular.

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Ended the Boa Constrictor.

"All my reading life," says Dr. Frank Baldwin, the Philippines explorer, "I have regarded the boa constrictor with horror and aversion. When I got into the jungle my great desire was to meet a large boa in order that I might do him some very real harm. When I did find one my sentiments were those of pity for the snake. He was stretched across the path, and when the natives saw him they pounced upon him with yells of delight. On the other hand, he seemed dazed.

"With a native for every yard of him holding him firmly he journeyed on legs through the jungle and down to the beach. He wriggled feebly and hissed in a hopeless manner. There they cut his head off with no more ceremony than they would have used if he had been a chicken, folded as much as they could get of him into a kind of clam shell about three feet in diameter and built a fire. In an hour he was cooked, and in another hour this great snake which had been painfully accumulating feet and inches for years had disappeared. I must say that I felt a little indignant."—Youth's Companion.

A Persistent Scotch Beggar.

On opening the door in response to a very peremptory ringing of the bell a lady found a seedy looking individual whose outstanding characteristics immediately proclaimed themselves to be an antipathy toward soap and water and an open mind on the temperance question. She was about to shut the door hurriedly when he thrust a foot over the threshold. At the same time he pushed forward a long, grubby envelope containing a hair comb, which he offered for sale. When he learned that there was "nothing doing" the bibulous one suggested, "You'd mebbe like to gie me the price o' a scone," and to be rid of him the somewhat scared lady handed over a copper. "An' ye'll no' buy the comb?" he asked as he turned away. "Oh, weel, mae doot ye ken yer ain business best." Then, as an afterthought, he added: "An' it's no' much o' a comb onywey. A've tried it mesel'."—Glasgow News.

Taking Medicine in the Dark.

Never take medicine in the dark. This is the advice in an interesting little booklet I found in a drug store. It is timely and wholesome and has a wide application. The people of this country are too fond of taking medicine in the dark. They are so credulous and so eager to make money that they are constantly the victims of their own folly. A man has made a large fortune during the past fifteen years by writing letters from Spain to persons in this country telling the latter about fortunes left them by strangers on certain conditions. These conditions always involve the payment of money before the fortune can be secured. It is amazing how many persons who ought to know better have given up from $500 to $10,000 to an absolute stranger in the belief that with this amount the latter stood ready to turn over $20,000 to $100,000 to his victims.—Leslie's.

A Haughty Personage.

Professors in Germany are important personages and know it, but few probably ever reach the pinnacle of haughtiness attained by the one of whom this anecdote is narrated.

He was one of the greatest men in the faculty at Heidelberg. One day the authorities of that city ordered that the street in front of the professor's house should be paved.

"If you don't stop that noise," remarked the professor to the pavers, "I shall give up my position as a member of the Heidelberg faculty."

The pavers stopped work at once. The municipal authorities sent around to inquire respectfully of the professor when they might pave the street.

"When I take my vacation," he replied.

Then and only then was the street paved.

London in 1592.

In Gomme's "London" the author quotes from an account of this "large, excellent and mighty city of business" when Frederick Duke of Wurtemberg visited it in 1592. Here is an illuminating extract:

"Most of the inhabitants are employed in buying and selling merchandise and trading in almost every corner of the world. It is a very populous city, so that one can scarcely pass along the streets on account of the throng. The inhabitants are magnificently apparelled and are extremely proud and overbearing, and because the greater part of them seldom go into other countries, but always remain in their houses in the city attending to their business, they care little for foreigners, but scoff at them."

Science and Statistics.

Science was horrified when Statistics discovered that babies to the economic value of $200,000,000 perish each year.

"This must cease!" exclaimed Science excitedly.

"It's up to you," rejoined Statistics without emotion.

But no sooner had Science fallen on and by various devices caused the babies to stop perishing than Statistics discovered that half of these were girls and $200,000,000 wouldn't begin to dress them.

"The laugh is on you," quoth Statistics grimly.—Life.

For a Change.

"I have been reared in the lap of luxury," exclaimed the heiress haughtily.

"Try mine for a change," suggested the impecunious young man.

What Causes the Trouble.

Half the trouble in life is caused by the fact that a man will marry a living picture and then kick about the cost of the frame.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Nina Stanliano, Understudy of Diva, Soloist With Kennedy Shows

[illegible] their visitors this week keeping the crowd at point where [illegible] of the [illegible]

[illegible] show this week and that is [illegible] Mobility the world's most wonderful [illegible] Man [illegible] woman [illegible] forgets their childhood is to fail to be interested in such a marvelous plaything, that might have been made in fairyland and to youngsters it shows even a thoughtless man [illegible] without a greater idea of the wonders of modern cities and the patience and skill necessary to the attainment of any task no matter how simple it sounds or that repeating.

The owner Fred Kempl has spent eight years in building and perfecting his masterpiece. He was last year offered thirty thousand dollars for it by a man who wished to exhibit it in England and declined the offer.

The city is perfect in scale and no detail is forgotten. There are skyscrapers finished and in course of construction cottages in what must be delightful suburbs stores factories wholesale houses apartment and office buildings a great hotel (with an elevator that delights the children) an amusement park (look for the tiny dap who evidently furnishes the fresh) a theatre with a three act melodrammer and two vaudeville stunts to complete the bill.

There is a river down which boats are sailing and one bridge turns to let the boats pass while another of latest construction rises to let them through there is a pile driver trying the foundation for a new wharf and a dredge widening the channel in a narrow spot.

But probably the joy of joys for the kiddies is in the railroad train which emerges from the mountain with its coaches before the passenger station it rounds a curve and side the freight depot turns its engine on the table in the most sophisticated manner and after collecting its load in an disappears into the tunnel which pass under the old mines. A glimpse of the wee miners and their narrow-gage picks is given and the most modern cars take the [illegible] down the mountain to the docks below.

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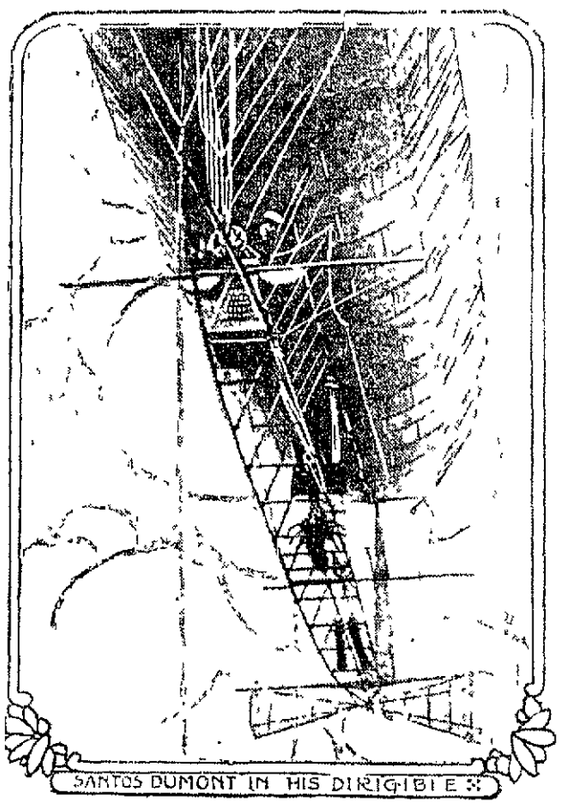

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Thin men and women who would like to add to their weight with healthy flesh should stay there fit should try eating a little Sargol with their meals for a while and watch results. There is a good deal worth trying. First weigh yourself and measure yourself. Then take Sargol—one tablet with every meal for two weeks. Then weigh and measure again. It is not a question of how you look or feel or what our friends say but facts. The scale and the tape measure will tell the story and must show a gain of five pounds in two weeks or the Sargol is sold back. Sargol does not of itself make fat but mixing with your food it turns the starches and sugars into a form ready for building up the tissues and tissues in the form in which the blood can readily take up. All this nourishment now goes to form muscle and flesh quickly and to keep the system healthy. Sargol is the work and it does it quickly and to keep the system healthy. Sargol is the work and it does it quickly and to keep the system healthy. You are eating more food, pounds and pounds of healthy flesh between your skin and bone. Sargol is a pleasant tablet and very inexpensive. Drug stores sell it in bulk. Sargol tablets are packed in tablet form. Adv.

IRON SITUATION UNCHANGED IN COUNTRY DURING JUNE

Merchant Furnaces Blow Out But Steel Works Stacks Show Some Improvement

While producers of merchant iron were blowing out furnaces last month owners of steel works or mill furnaces were putting their plants in operation. Such is the report of the iron and steel trade for July. As a result will there was a large decline in the number of idle furnaces at the end of July as compared with June, the number of furnaces in blast at the end of July showing a gain of 8 over the number in blast at the end of June. The total output of pig iron in July was 1,[illegible] tons, an increase of [illegible] over June. The average daily output in July was [illegible] tons, an increase of [illegible] over June. The average daily output in June was [illegible] tons. The total output of steel in July was [illegible] tons, an increase of [illegible] over June. The average daily output of steel in July was [illegible] tons, an increase of [illegible] over June